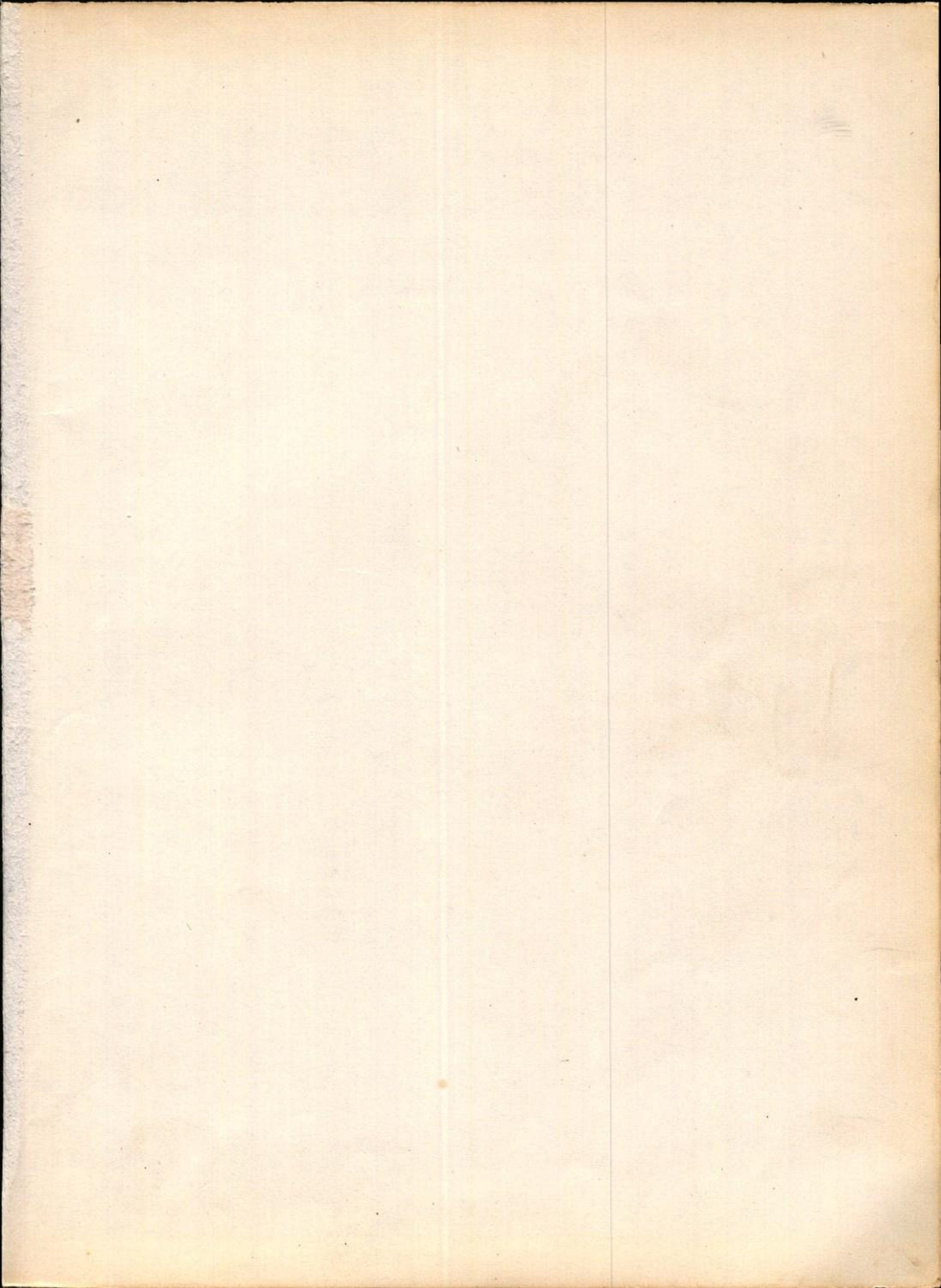


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As you turn through the pages of this book, may you wander once more through the memories of the past years, recalling the happiest hours, the best-loved scenes, the valued friends and may the pictures we have chosen help to make your memories more vivid throughout the passing years.

Dedication



ELMER "Hot Dog" THOMPSON

To You, Coach Thompson, we dedicate our 1951 Aerie,

To You, because of our appreciation, first as a man and second as our coach. Both assets very definitely add up to an example of manhood which every high school boy and girl respect, admire, and accepts as a challenge for life.

This is just one way of expressing our sincere appreciations to one grand teacher, coach and fellow.

THE ANNUAL STAFF

Principal's Message



It is the wish of each teacher in high school that the ideals and principles you have learned here in school will carry over into your adult life. We know that you will assume your responsibilities in life in such a manner that we will be proud to have had a small part in teaching those ideals and principles which helped prepare you to take your places as good citizens in tomorrow's society.

Your friendship and school spirit will be missed in this high school. Our affection goes with you, wherever you go.

Sincerely,
O. M. Walker



Faculty



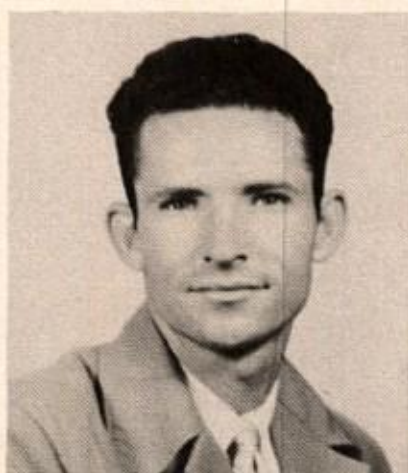
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Superintendent



MR. McLEOD
Agriculture



MISS LEAKE
English and Civics



MR. BURNHAM
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English and Speech



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Homemaking



MR. HARDCASTLE
Distributive Ed.



MRS. HENRY
History and English



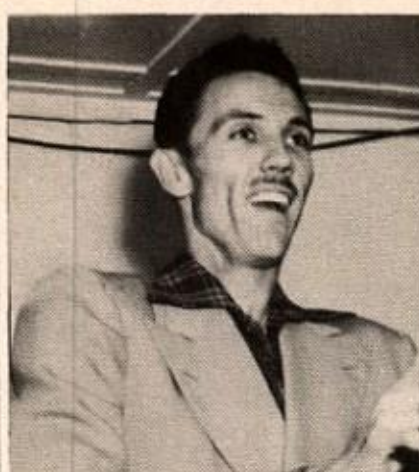
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MR. McCLUNEY
Secretarial Work



MR. THOMPSON
Coach

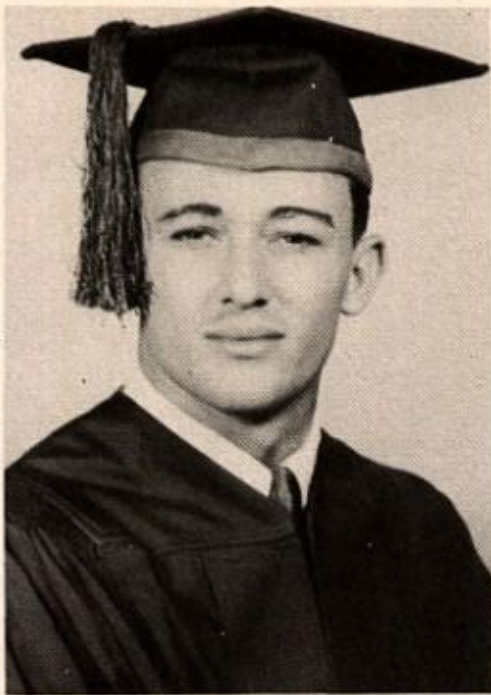


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Choir and Band



Seniors

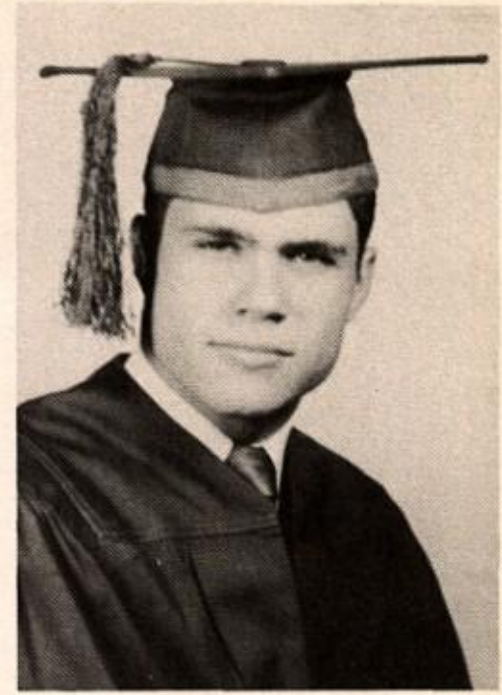
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St. Council

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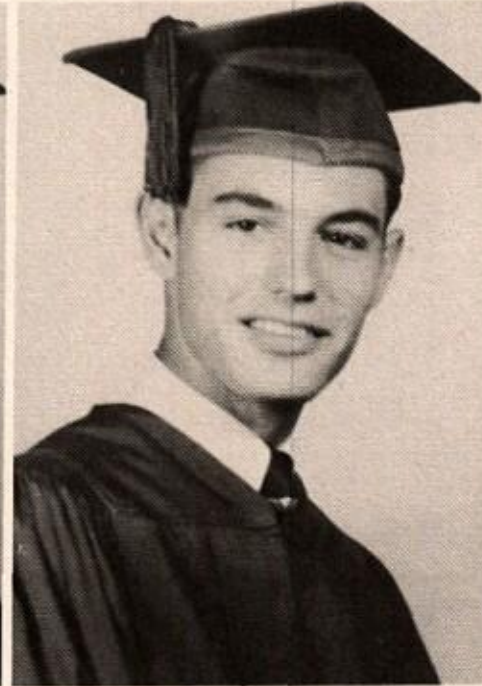


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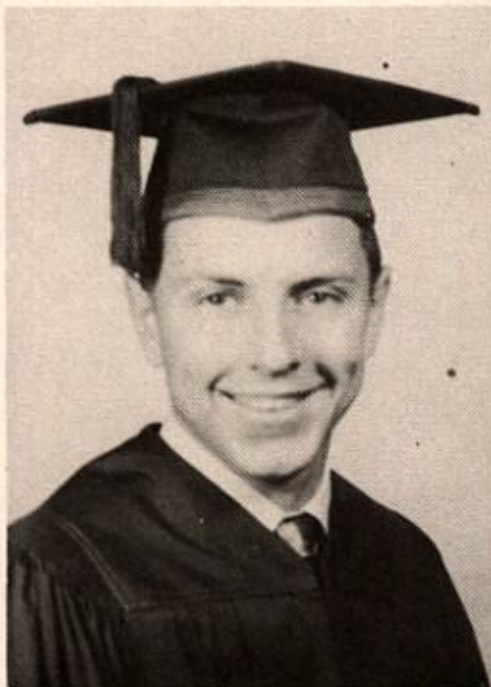


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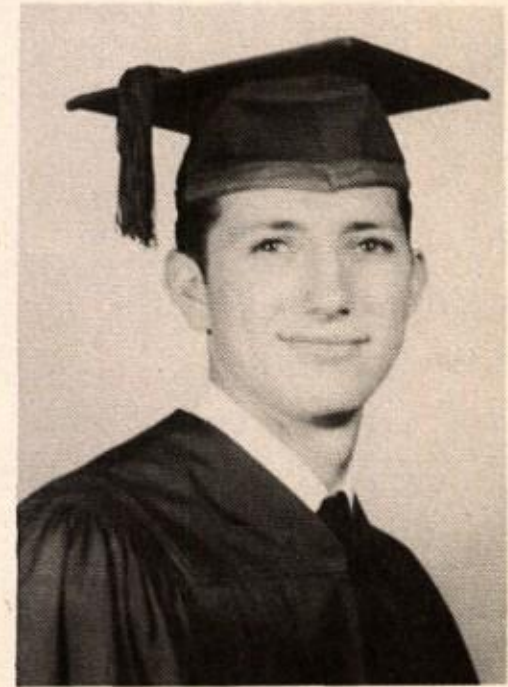
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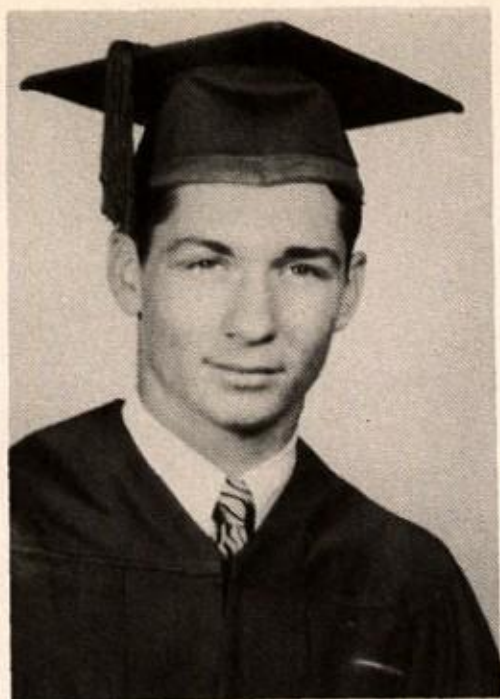
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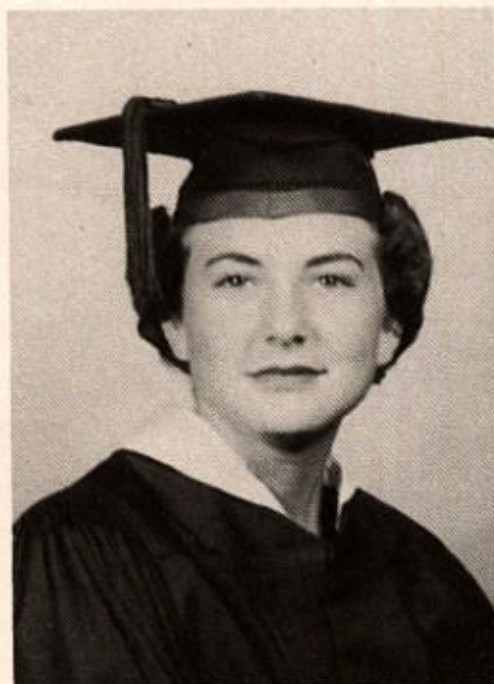
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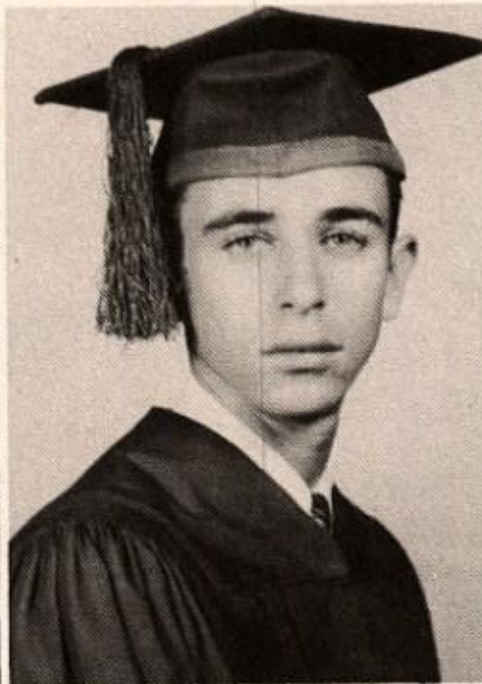
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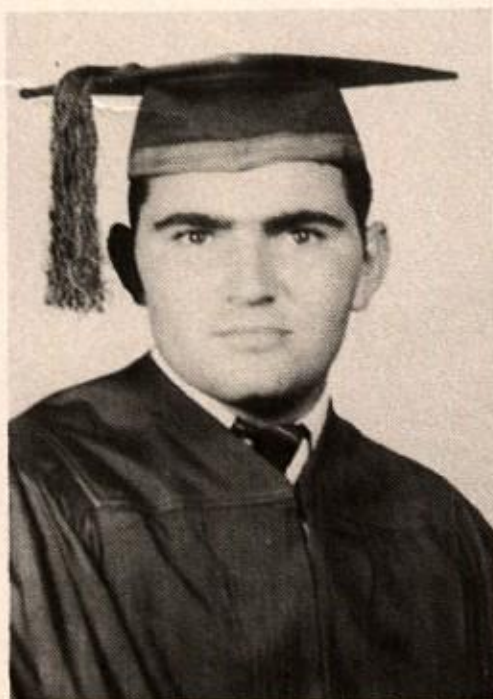


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Agriculture
Student Coun.



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Gleemen
Class Officer
Home Econ.
Club

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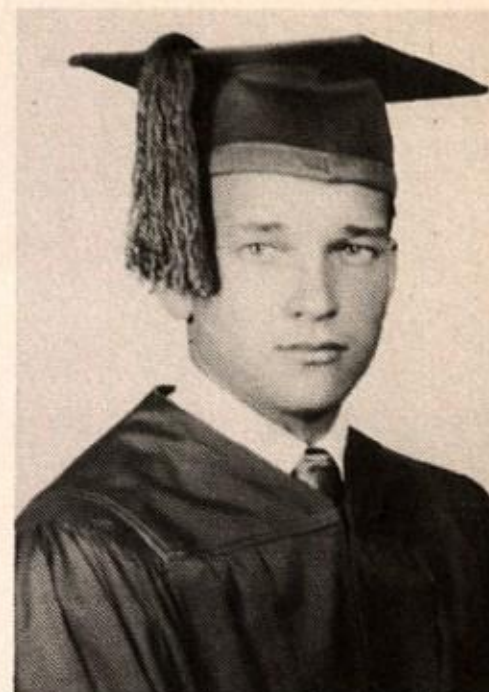


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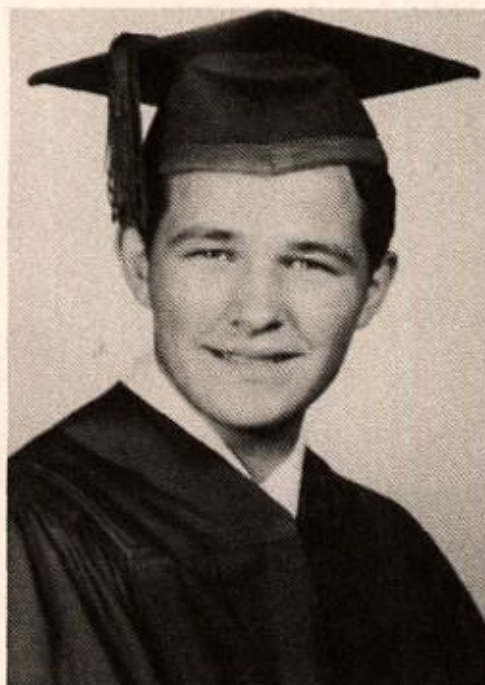
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Gleemen
A-Cappella

Football
A-Cappella
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Teen Age Club



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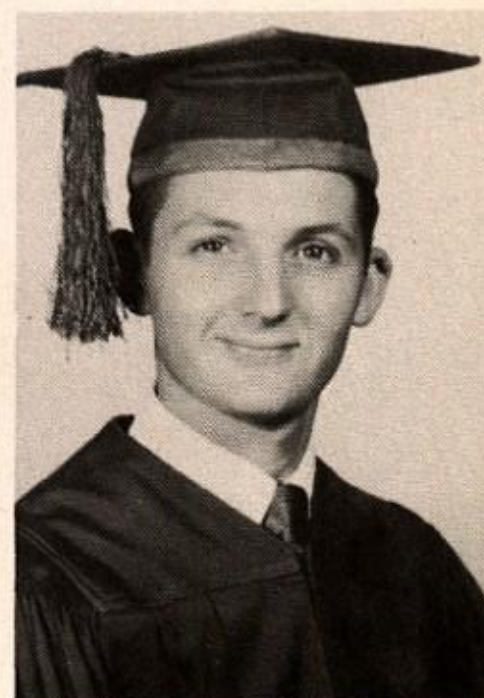
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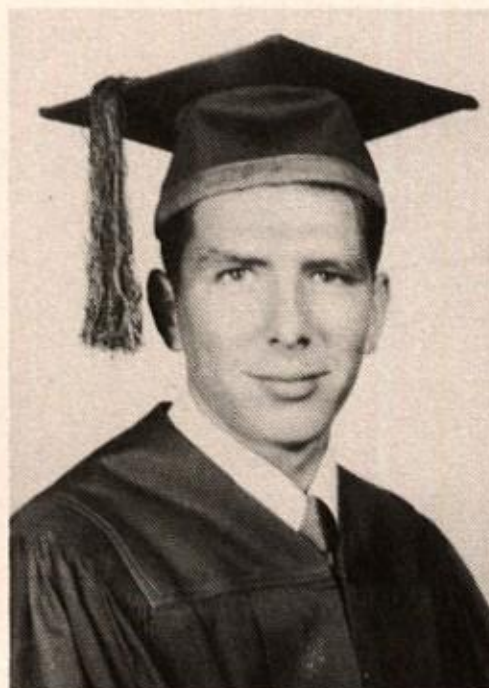
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Ag. I & II

Band
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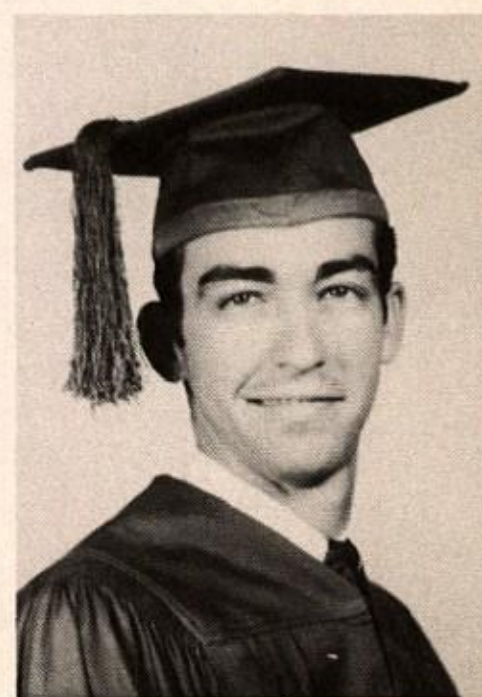
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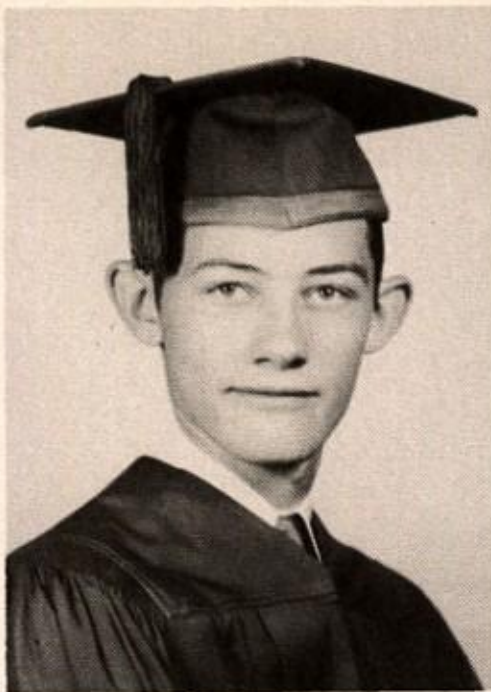
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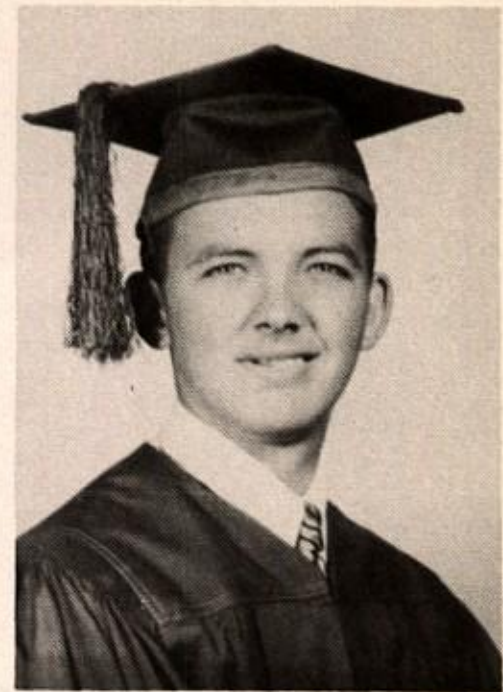


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HOWARD COVINGTON

Football
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LLOYD SHIREY

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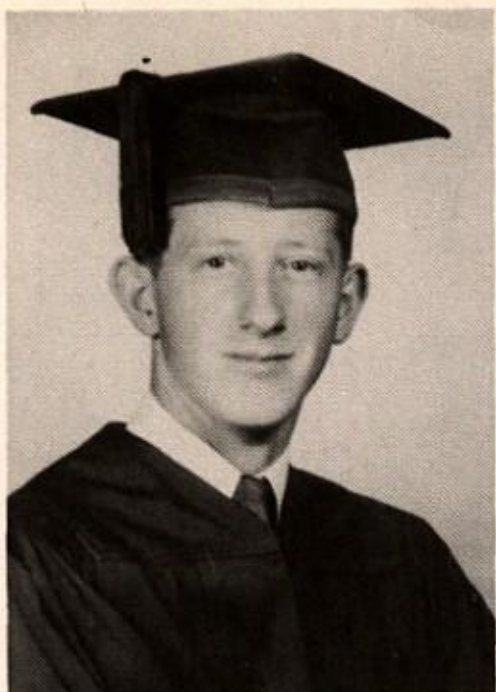


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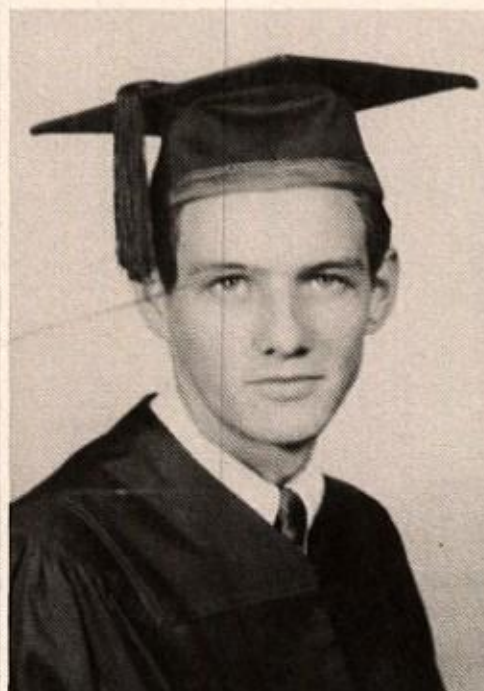


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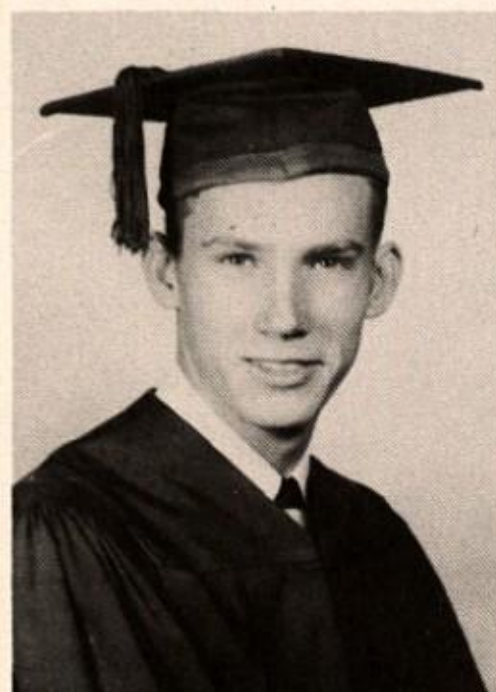
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GEORGE BOWMAN

Ag. I & II
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A-Cappella
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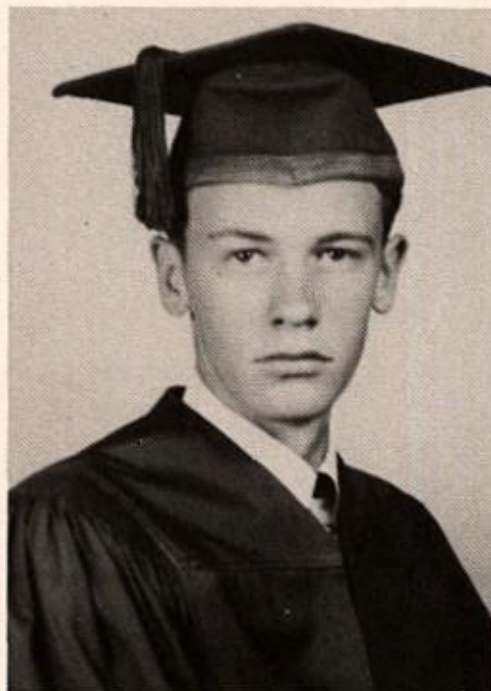
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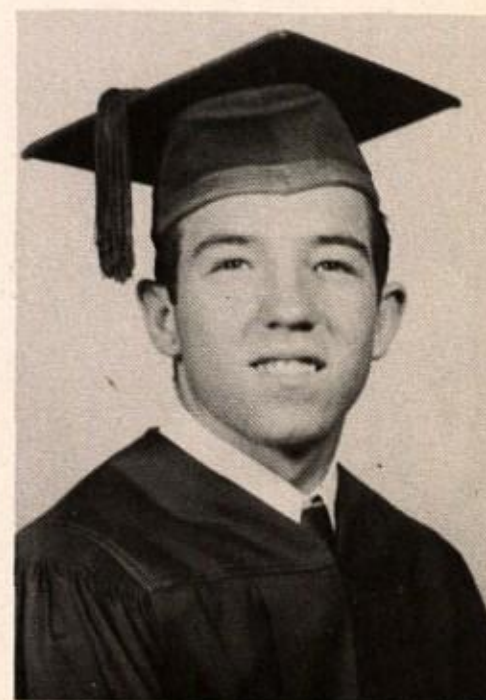
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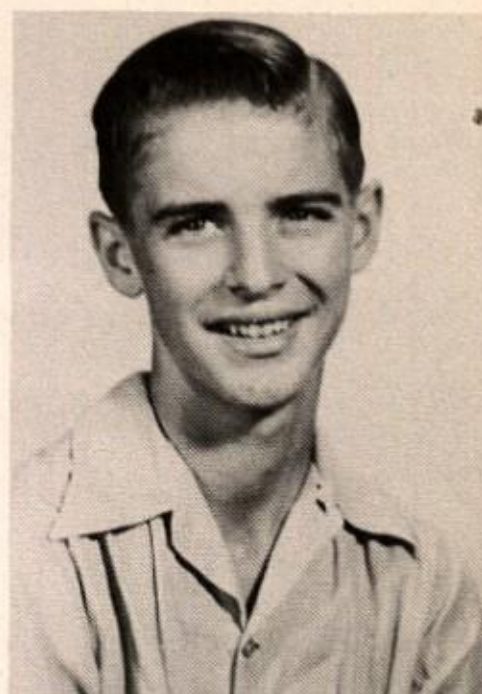
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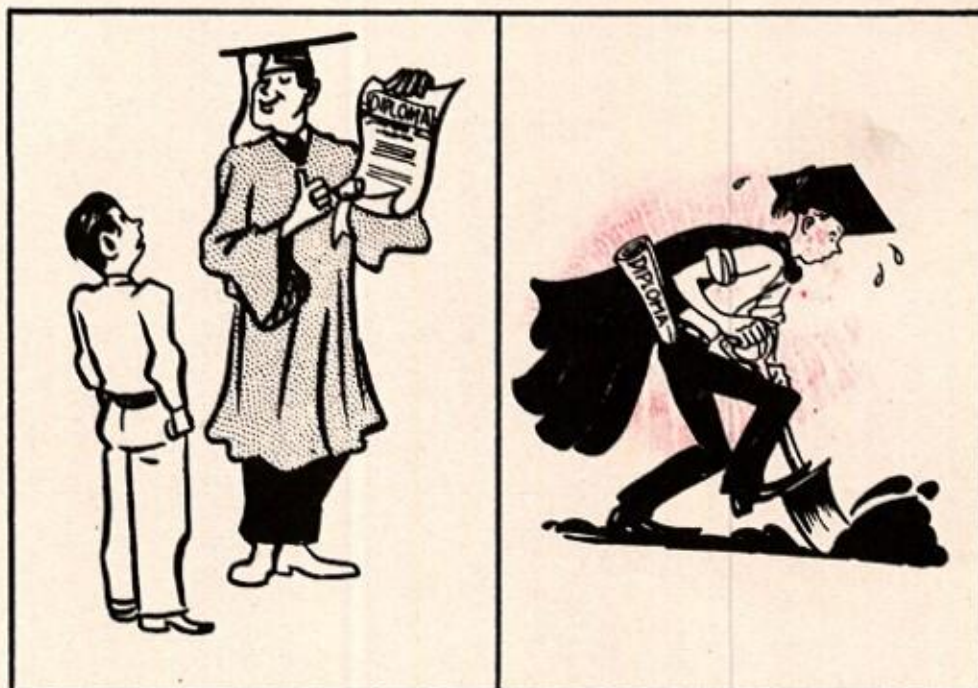
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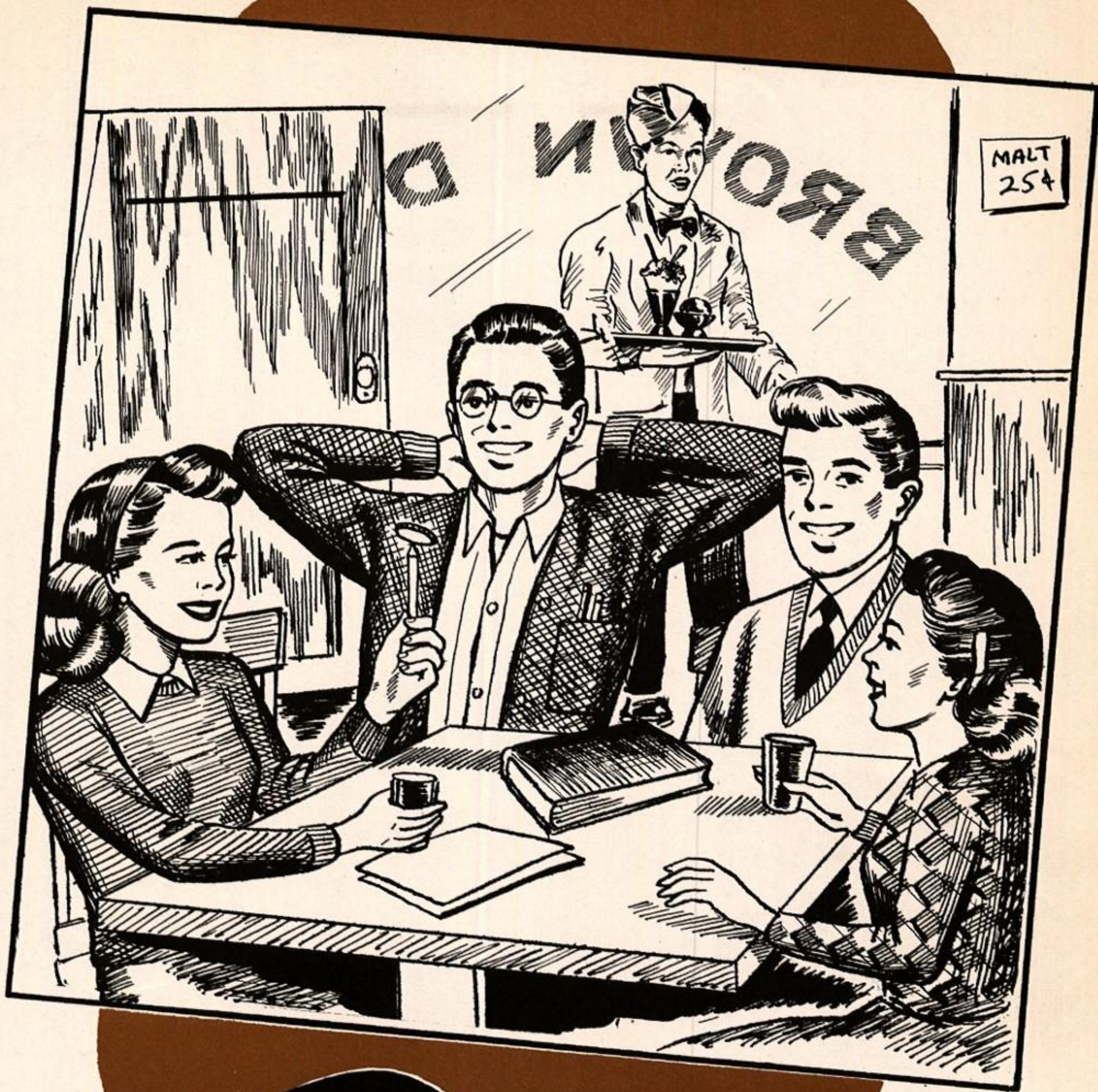
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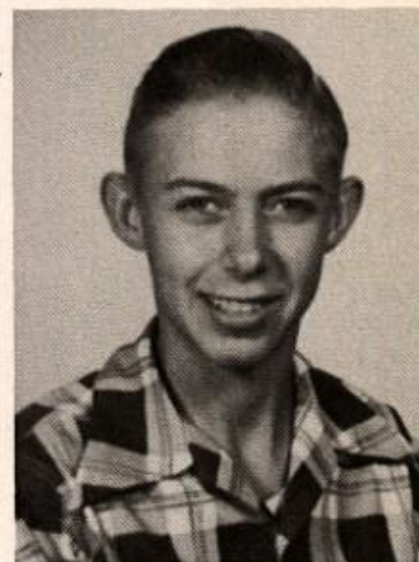
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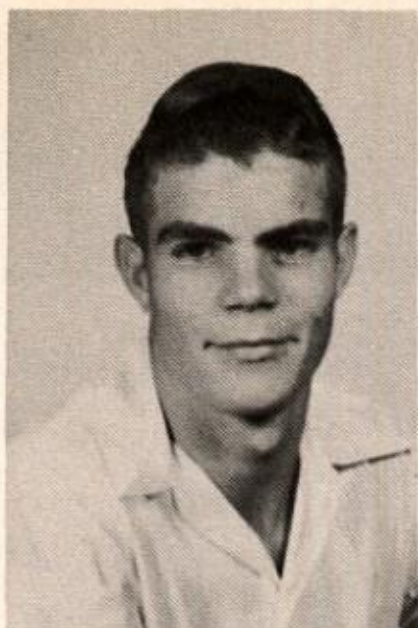
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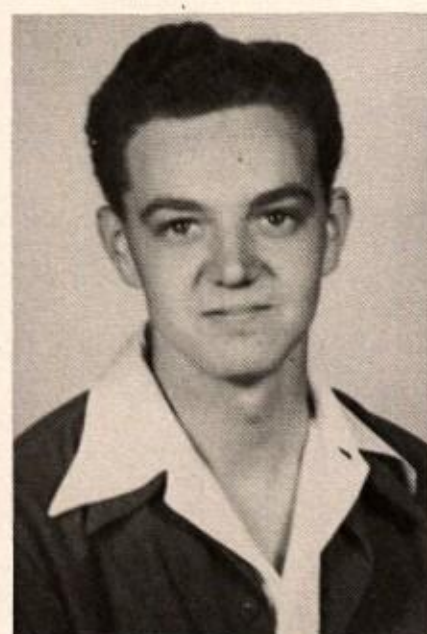
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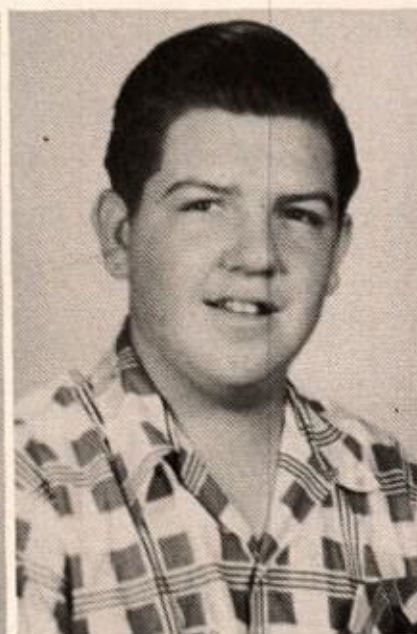
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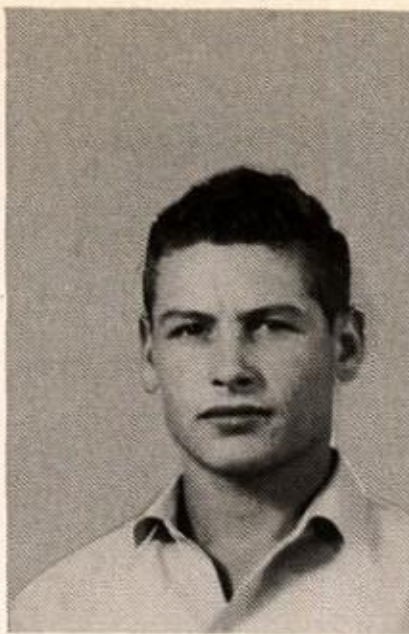
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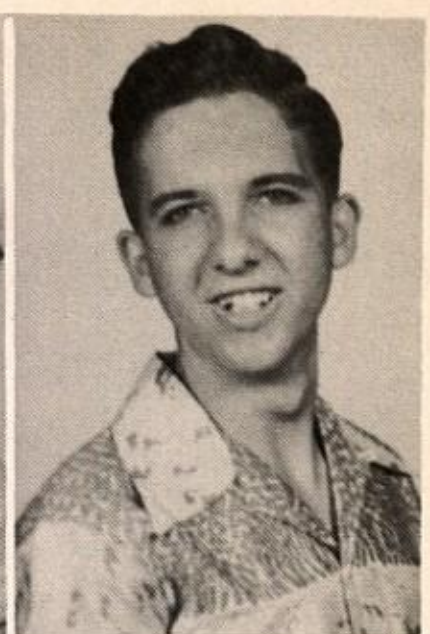
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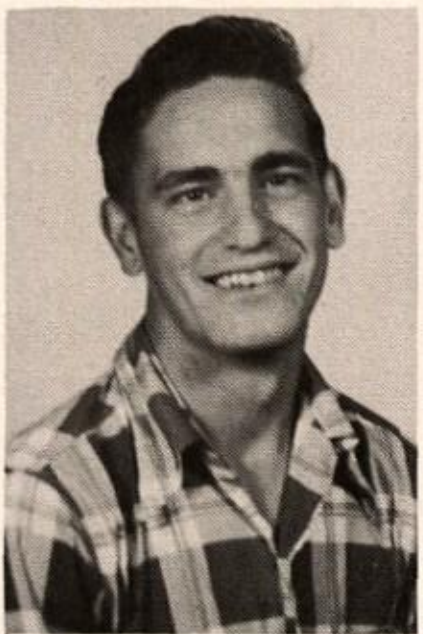
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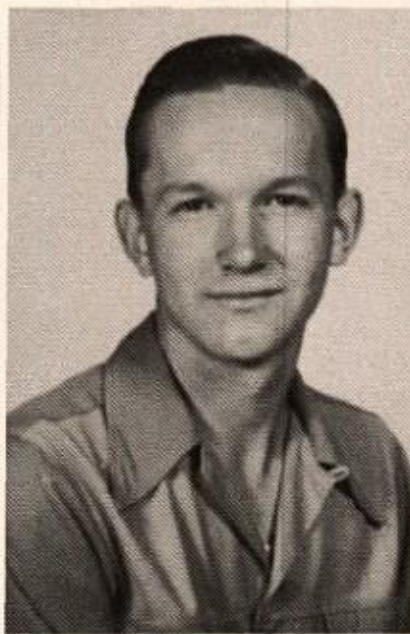
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MARIE CLIFTON



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Tommy
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Guinn



Clarence
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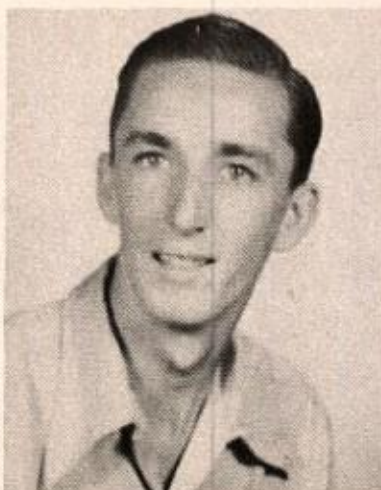
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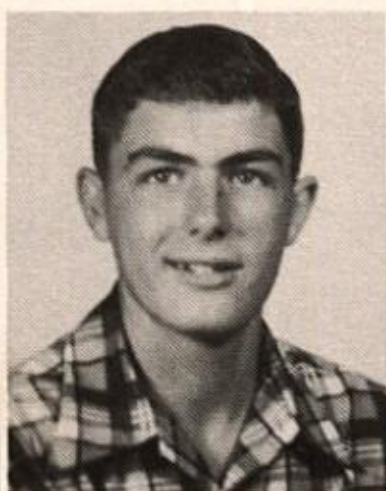


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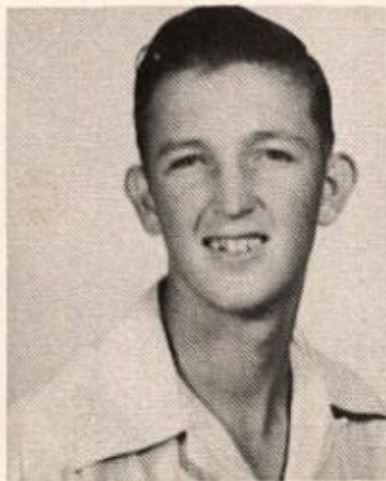
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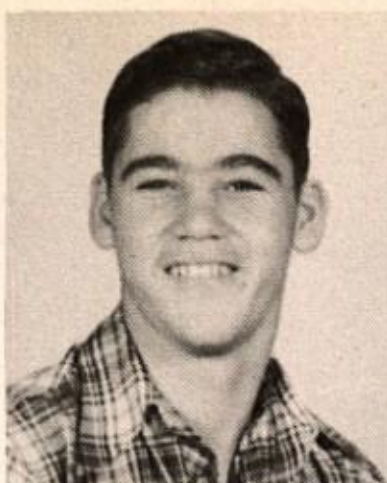
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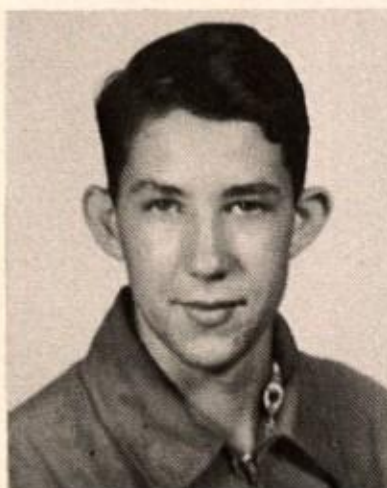
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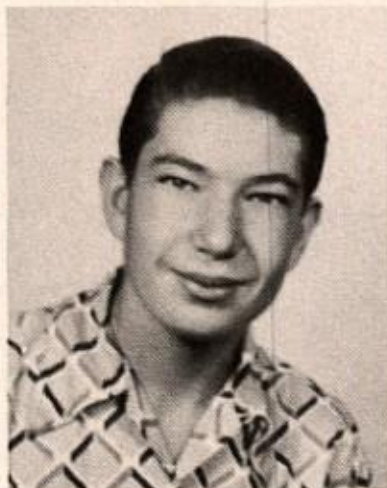
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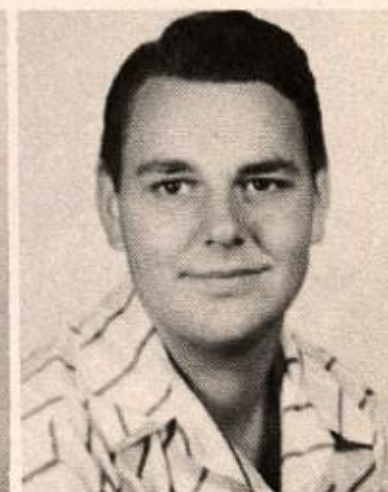
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Syble
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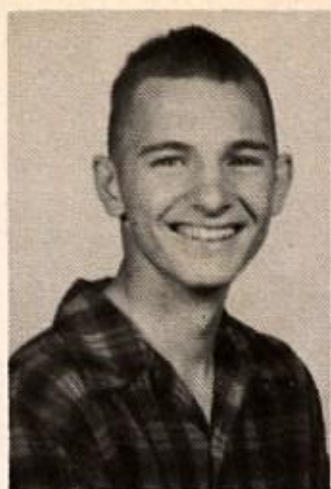
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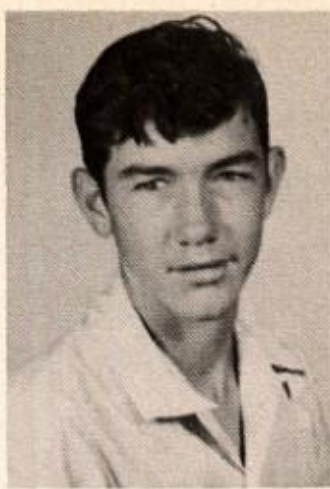
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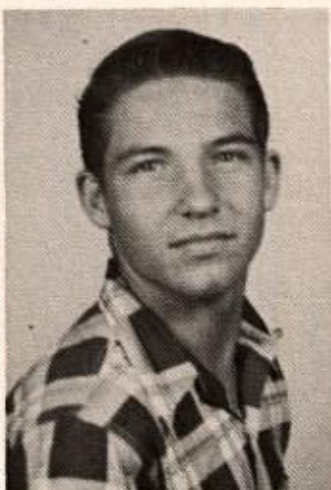
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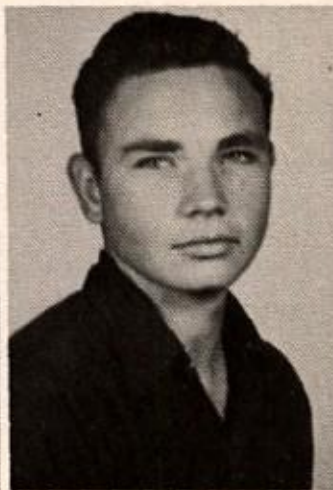
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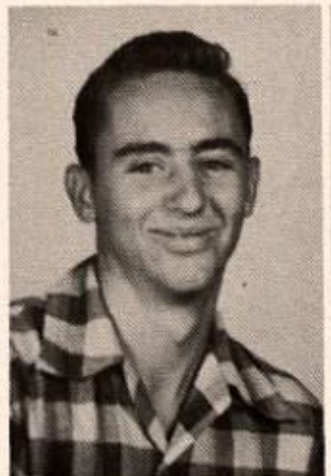
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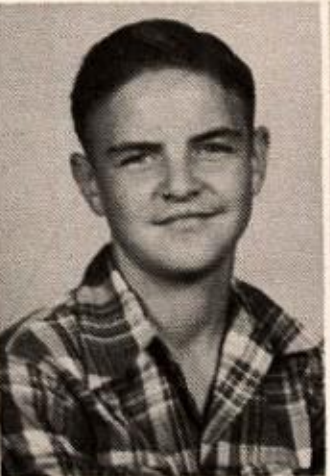
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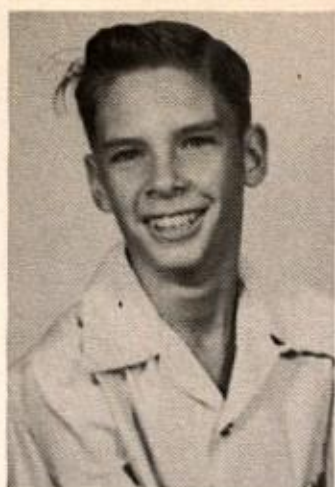
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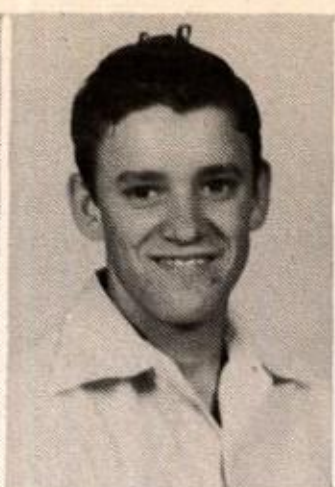
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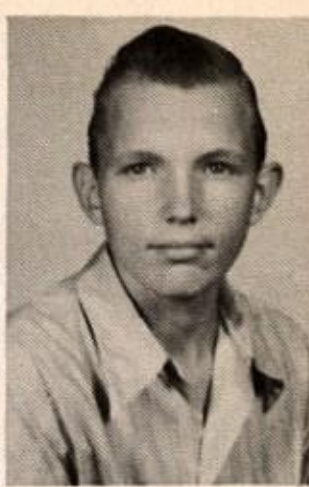
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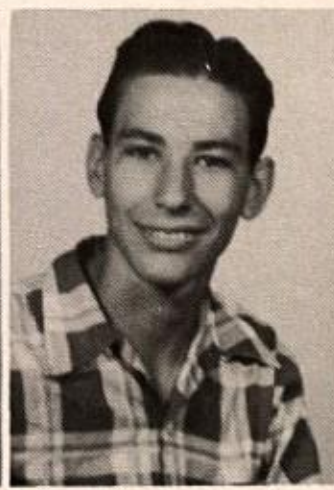
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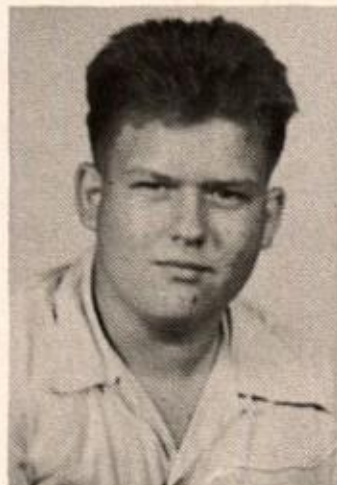
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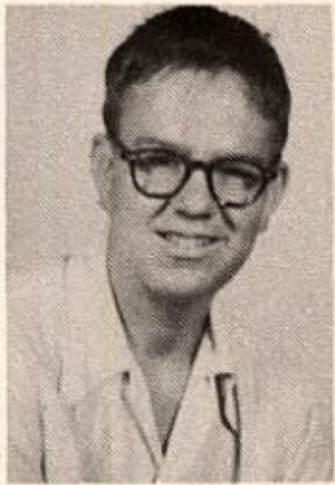
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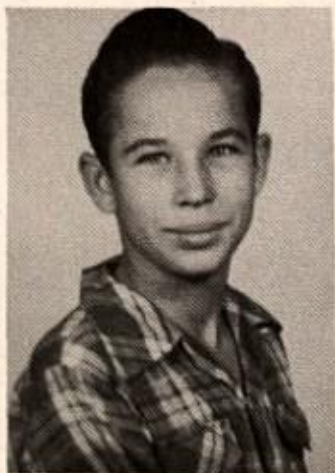
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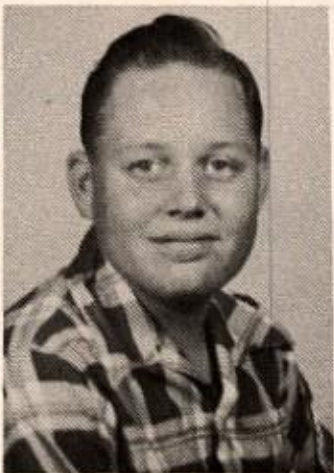
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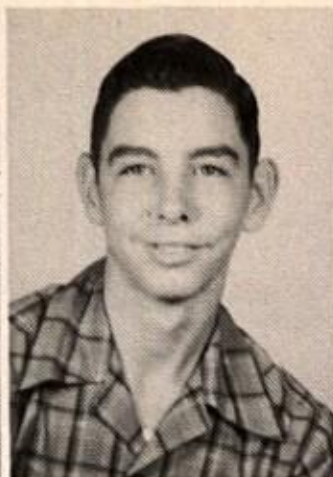
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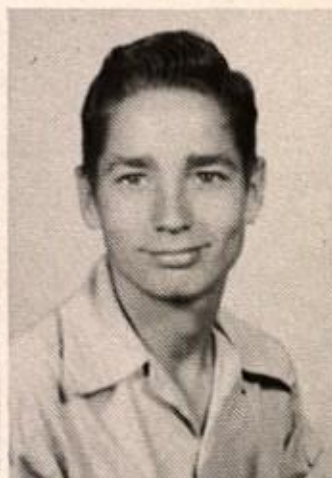
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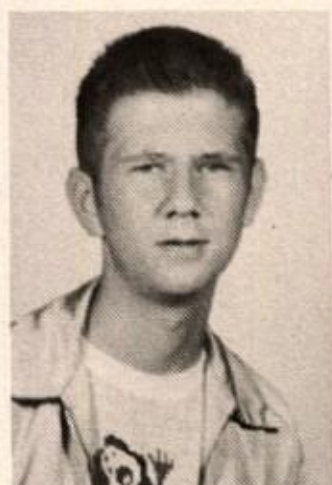
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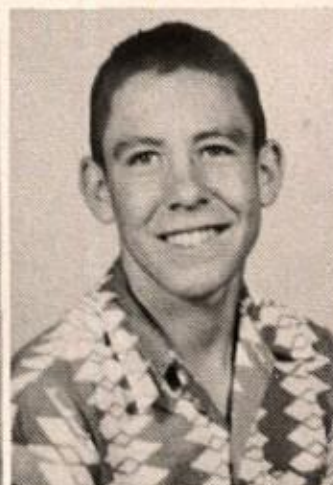
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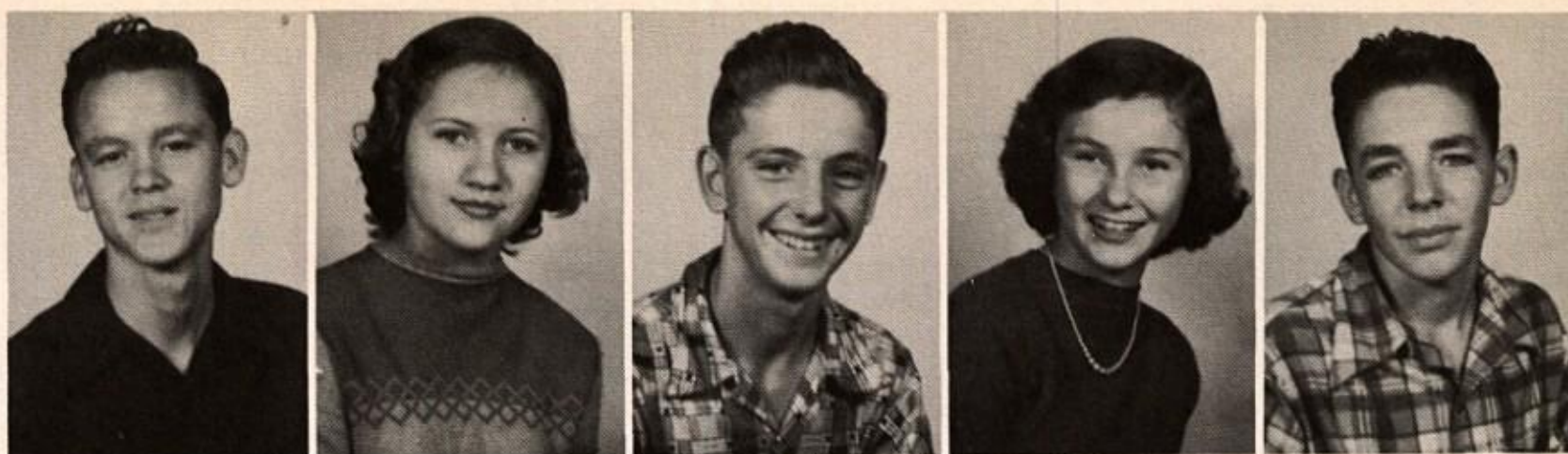
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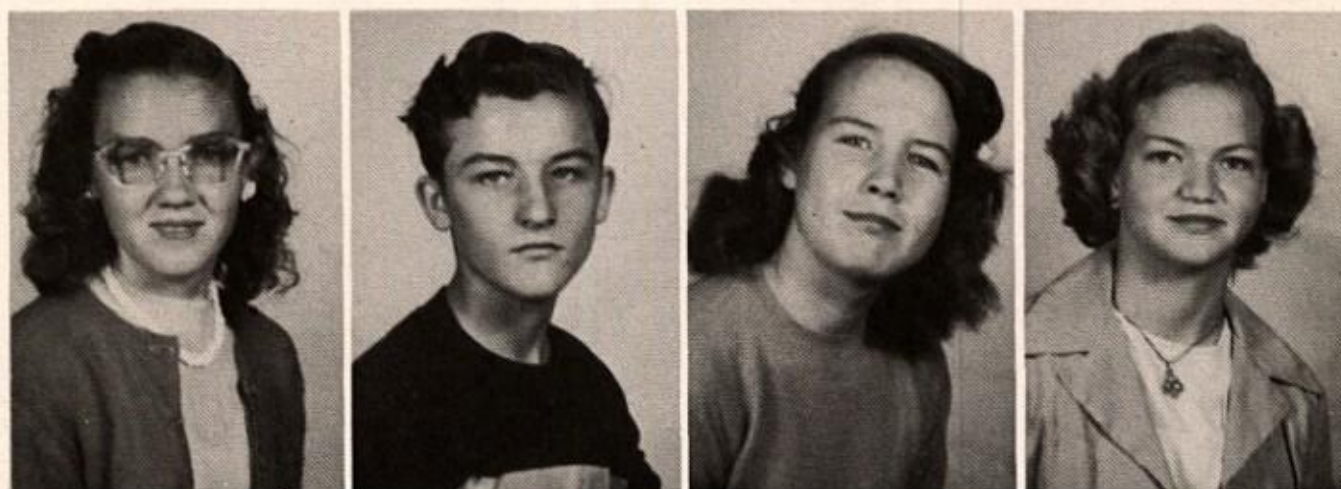
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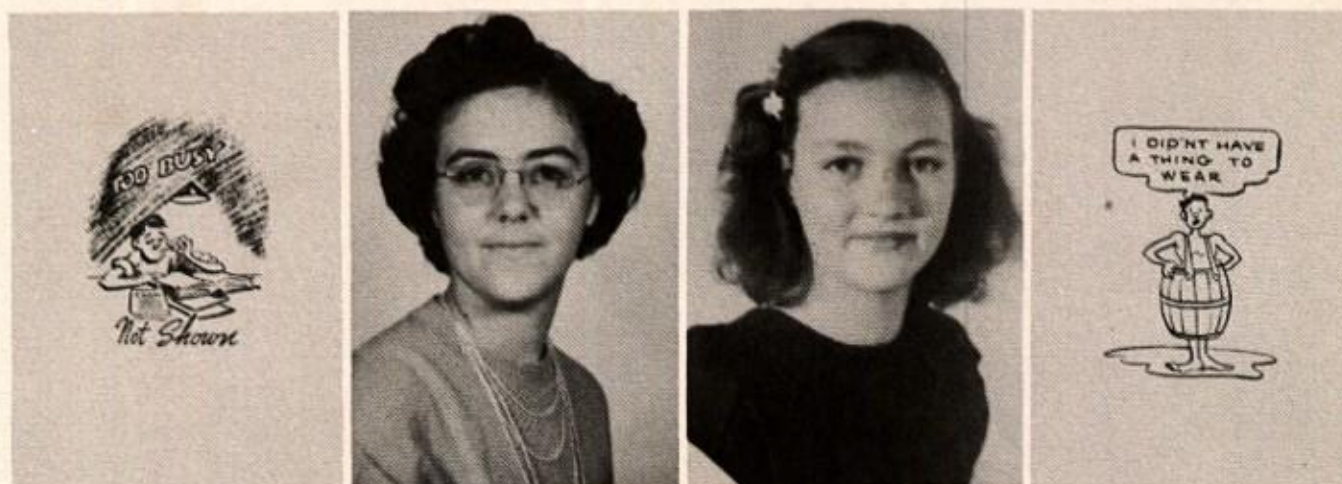


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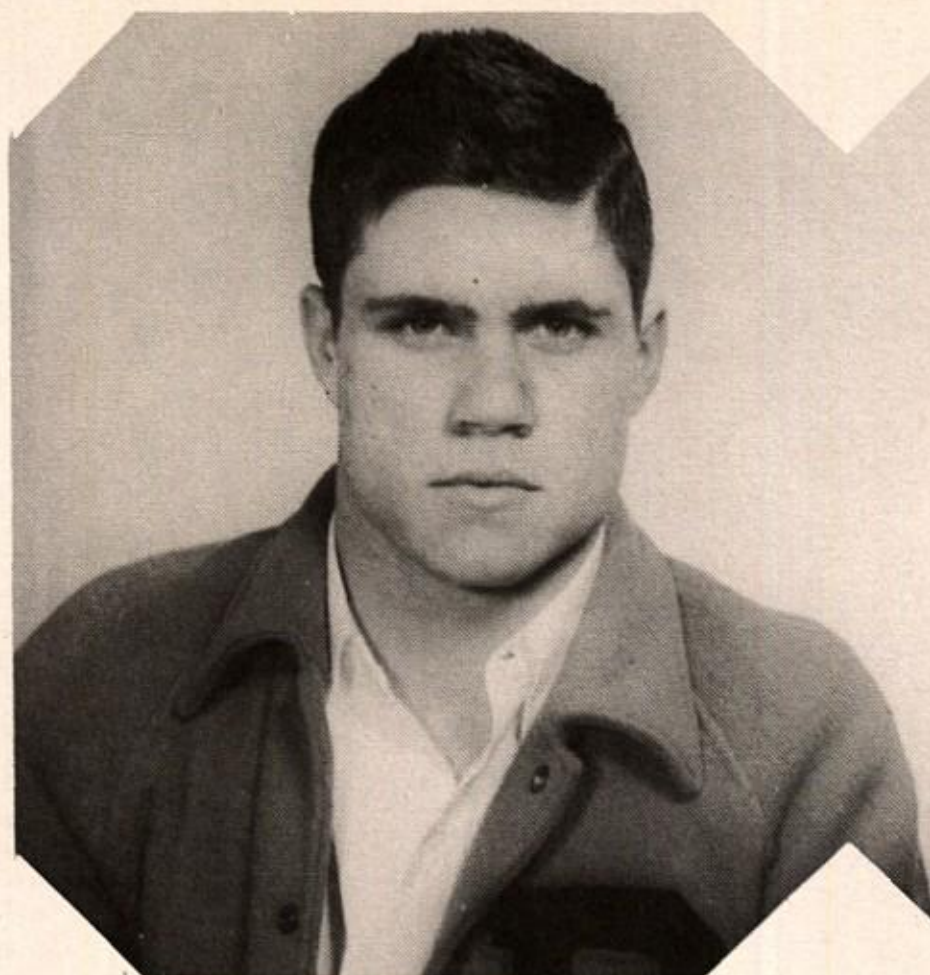
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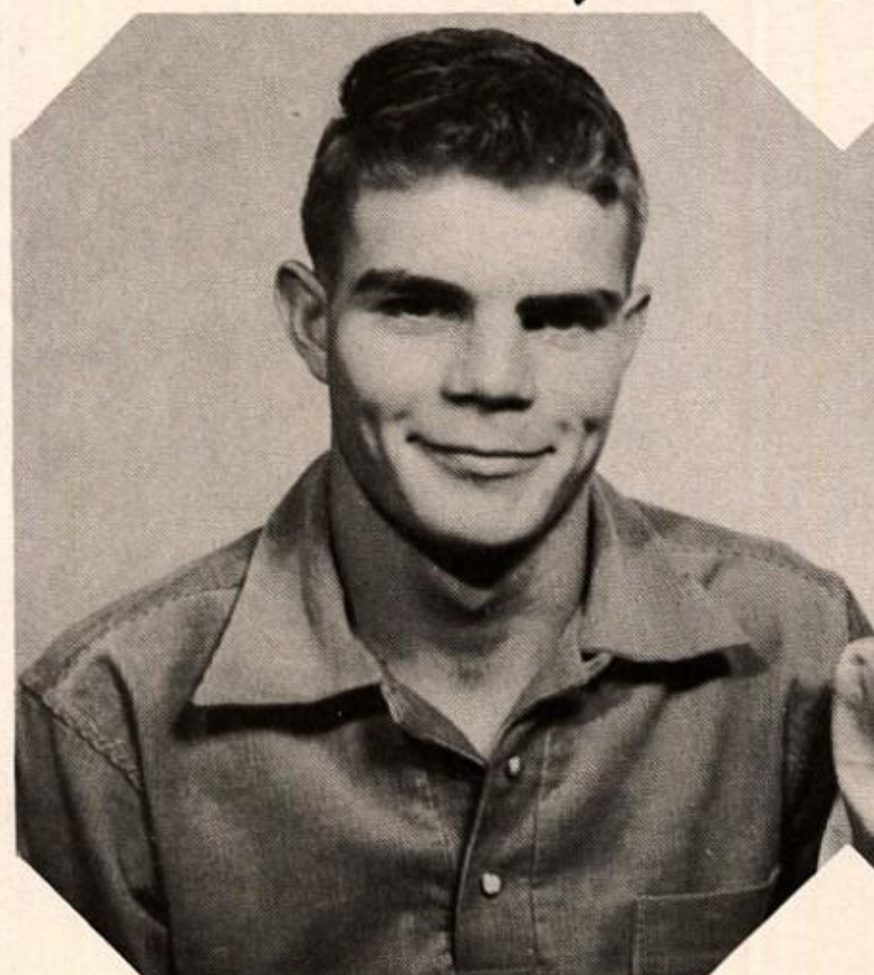


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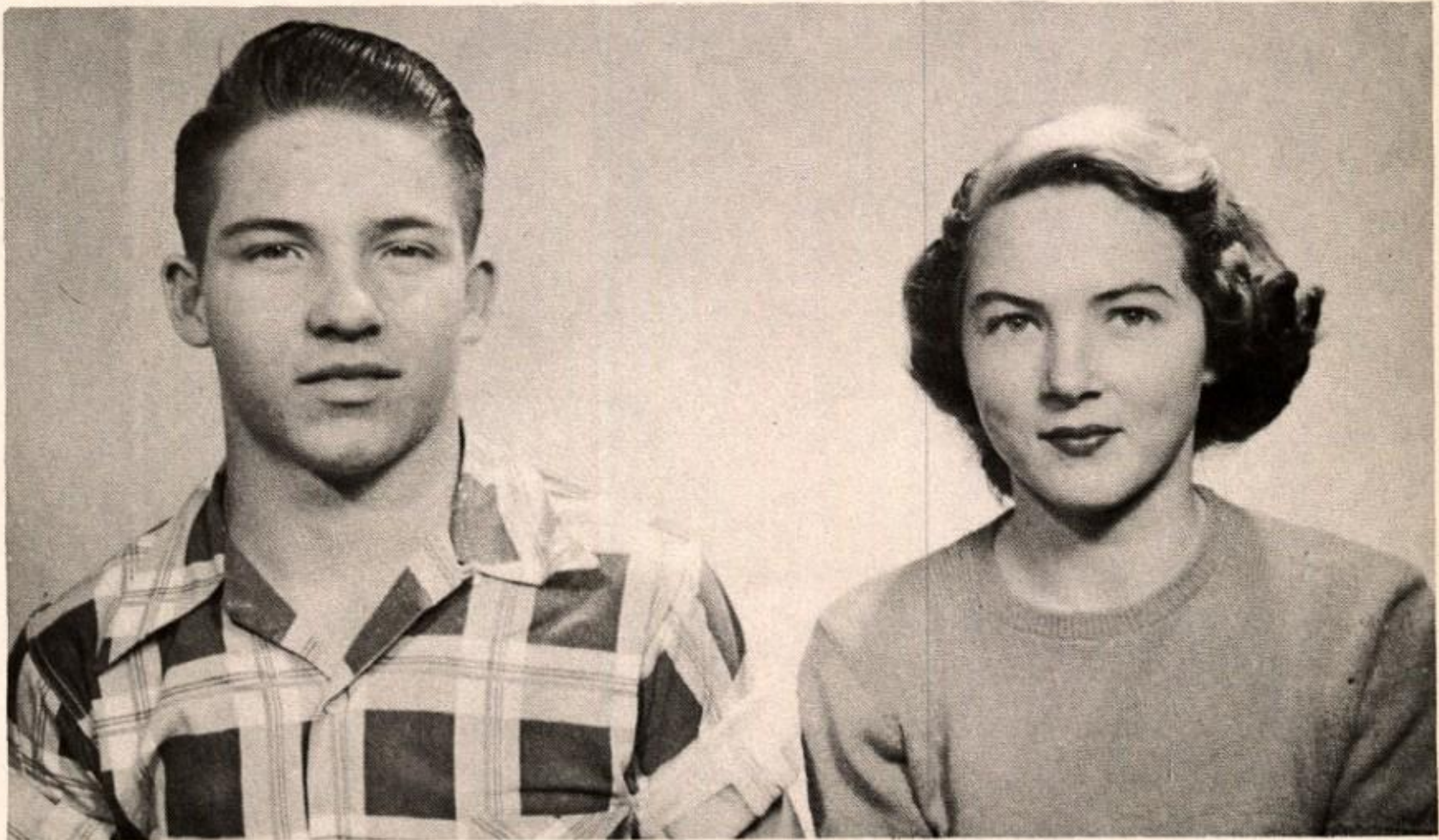
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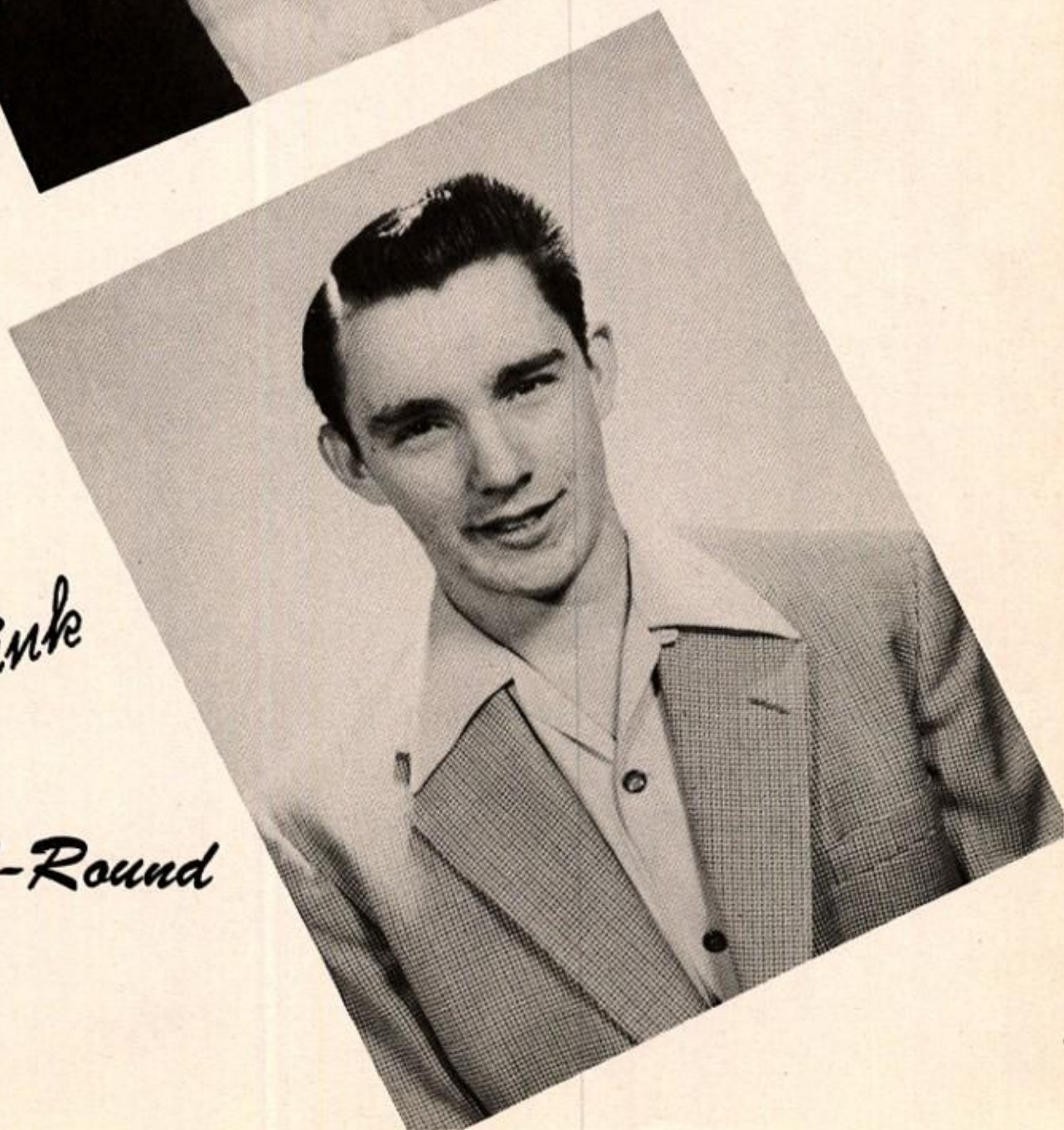


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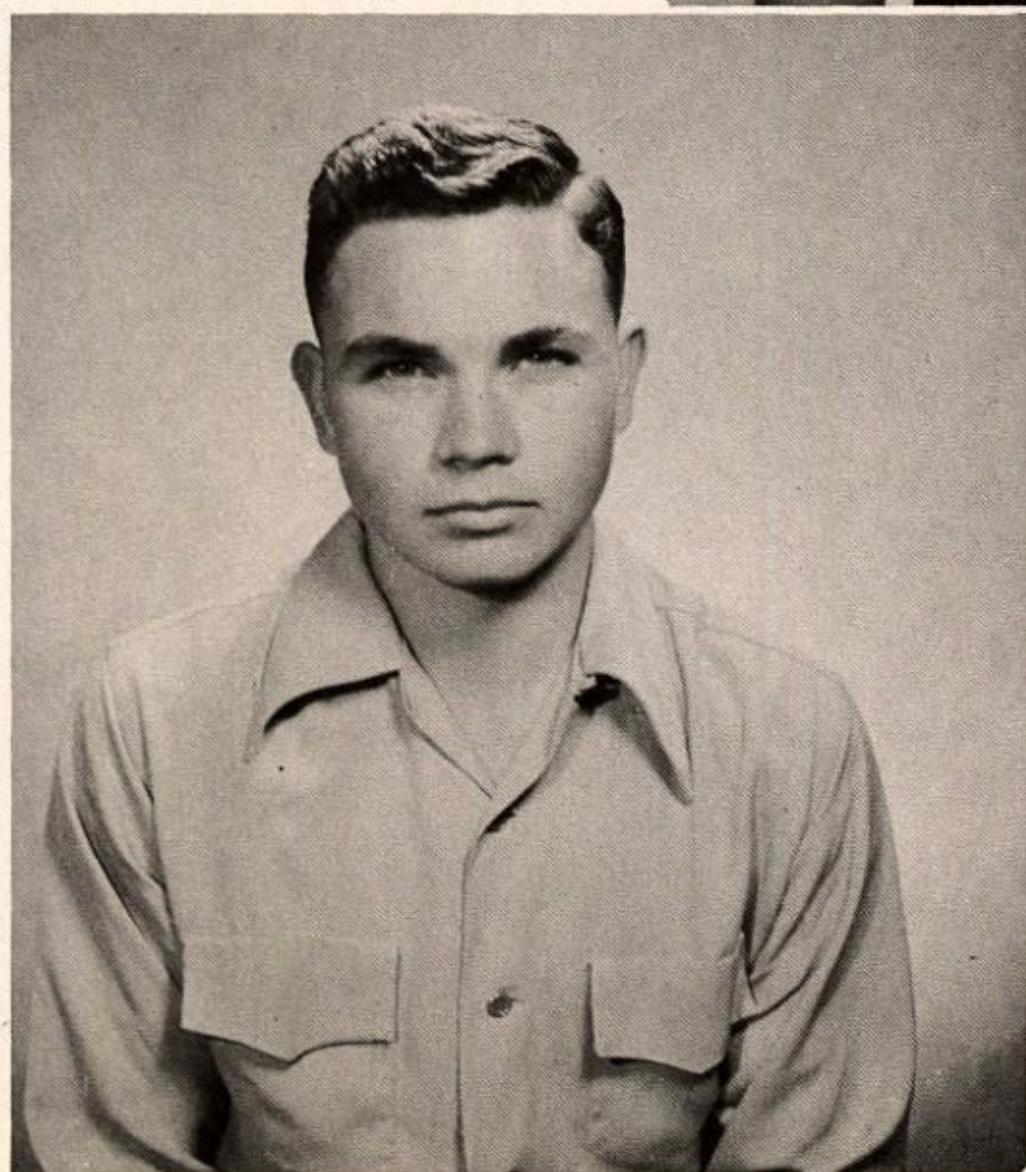


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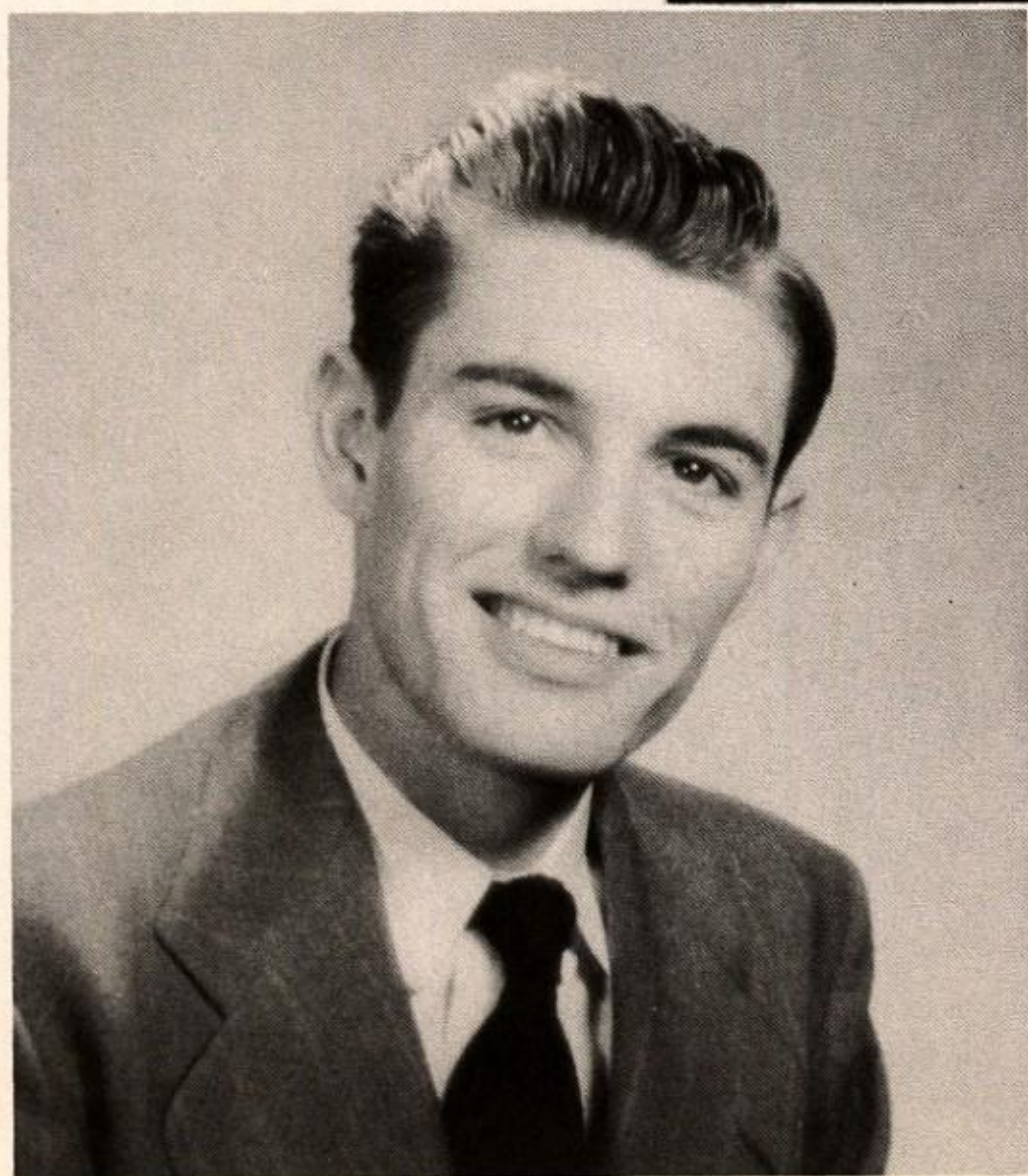


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Attractive Favorites

Most Beautiful

Martha Coleman



Most Handsome

Terry Medford

Most Likely To Succeed

Helen Haynes



Eldred Pryor



*Centennial Queen
Delores Maness.*





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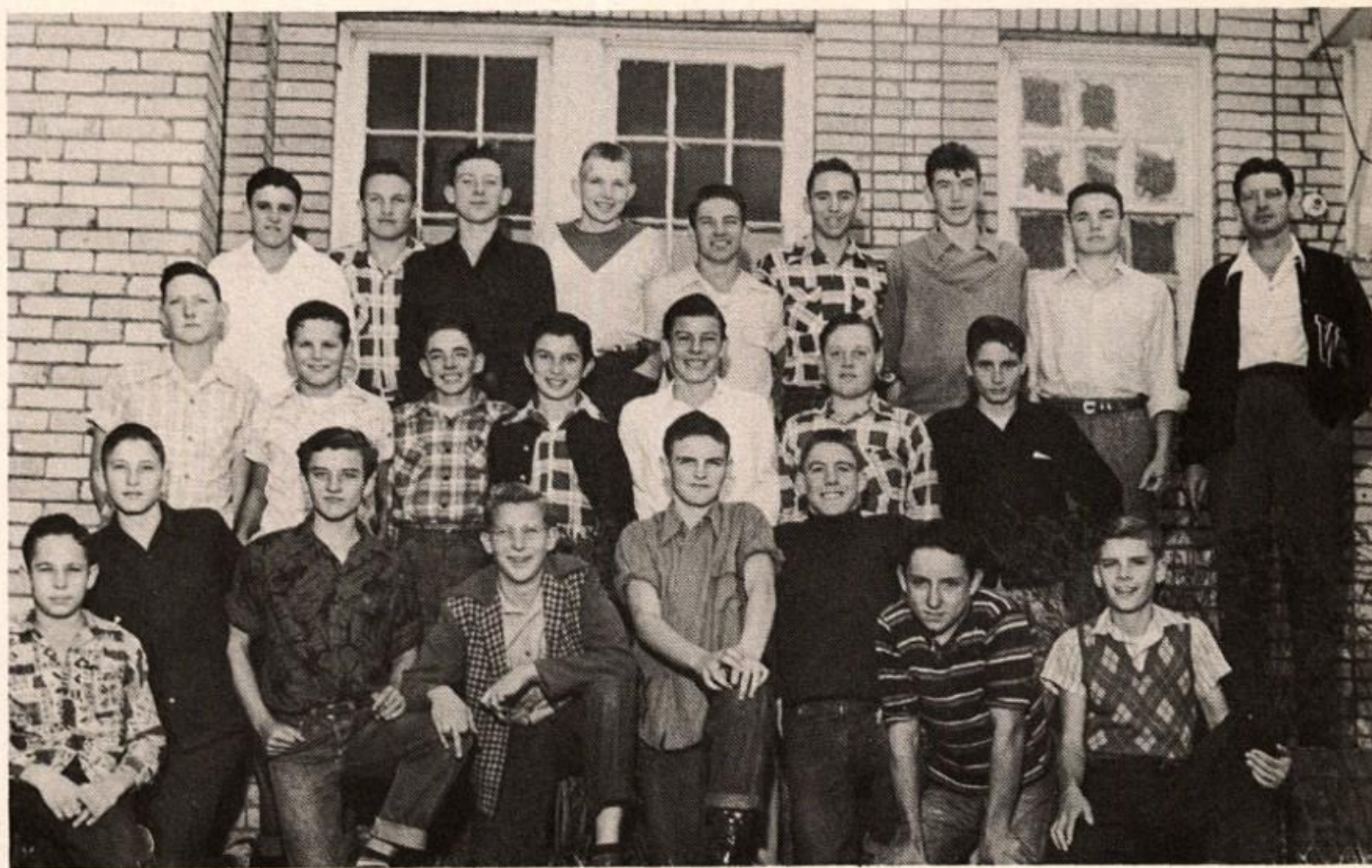


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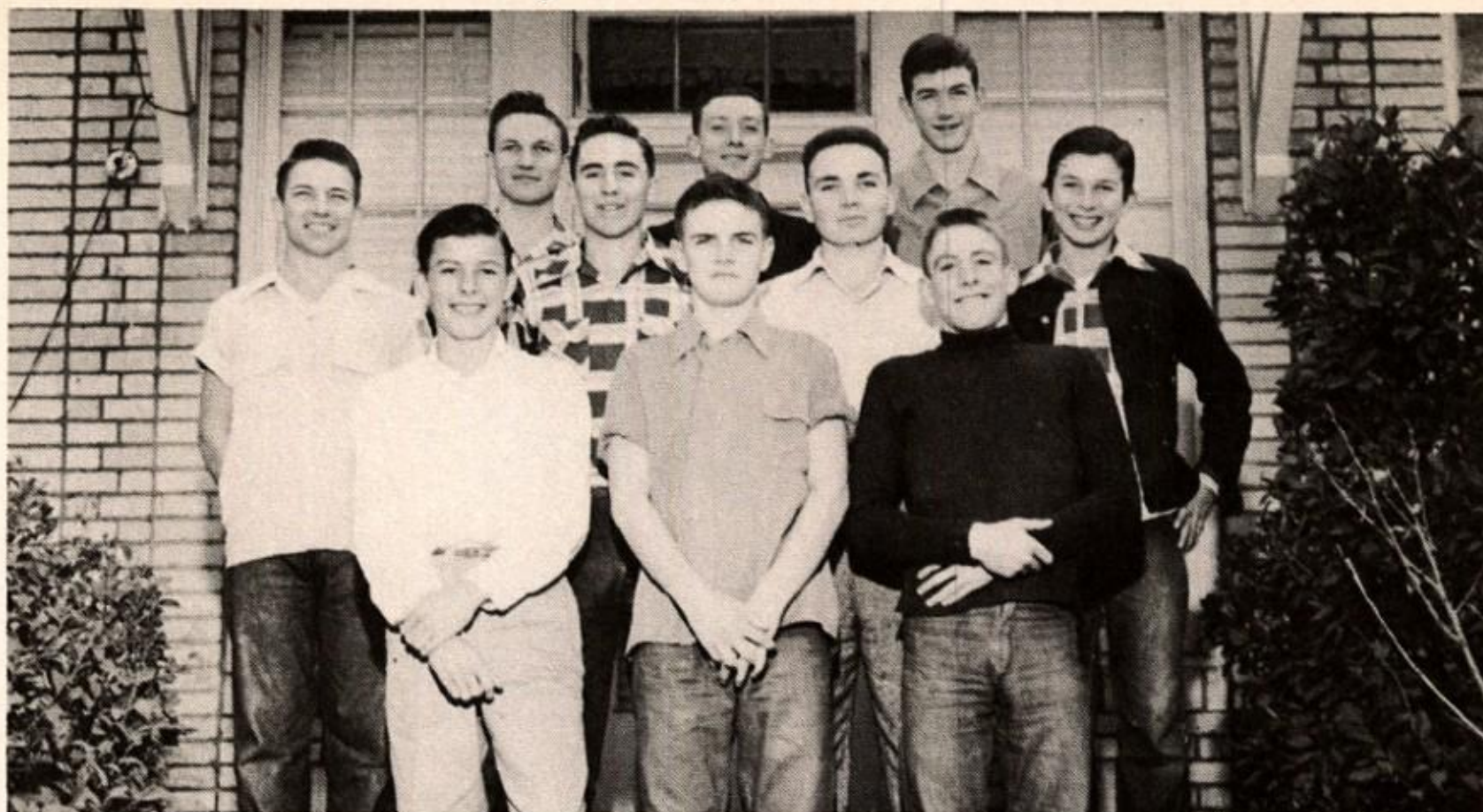


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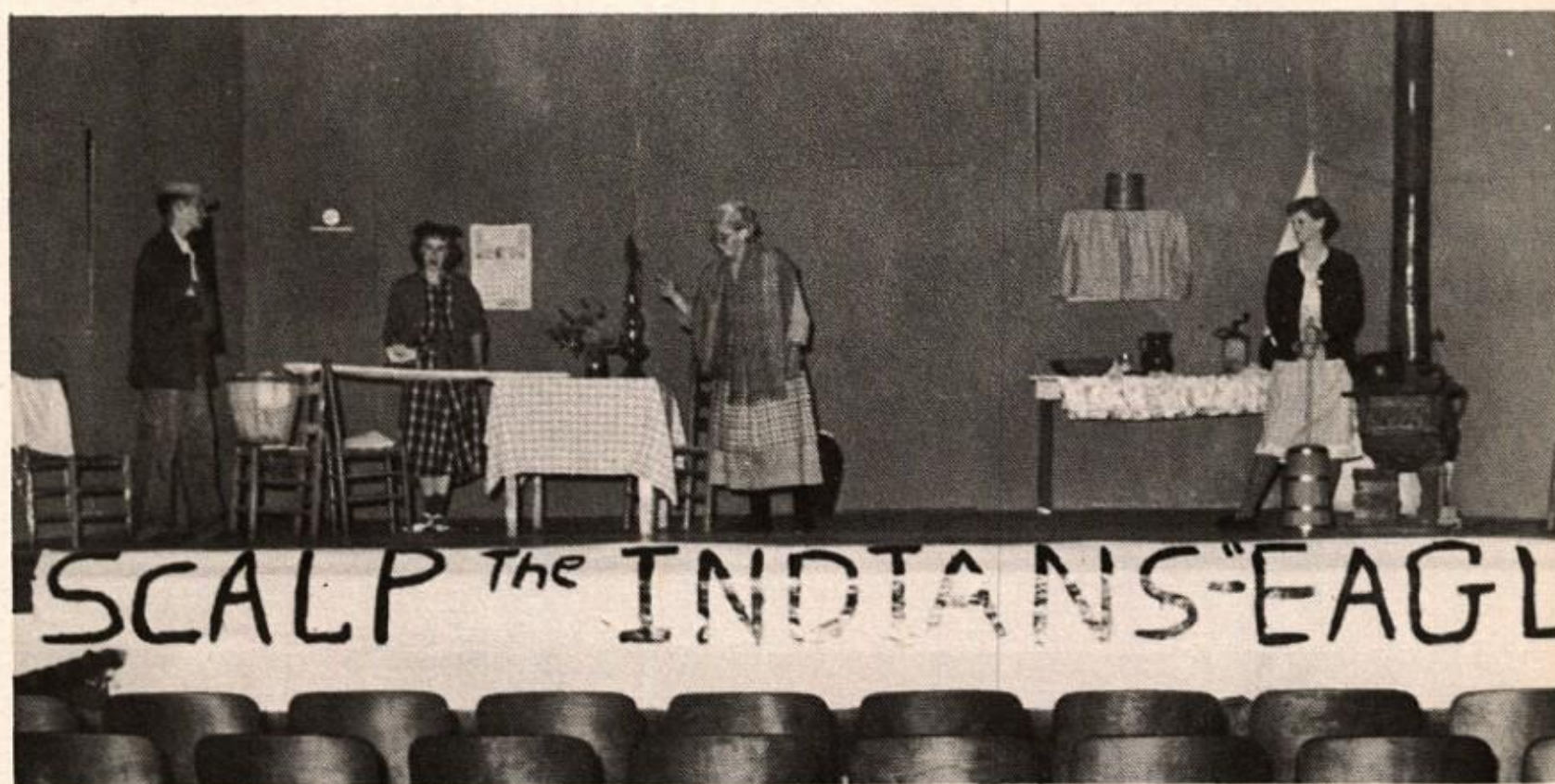
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1. "Sparkin'" (pictured above). 2. "Freshmen Shall Be Slaves." 3. "School Days." 4. "Hitchin' Ain't No Fun." 5. "Matrimonial Bumps." 6. "Pop Reads the Christmas Carol." 7. "The Lamp Went Out."
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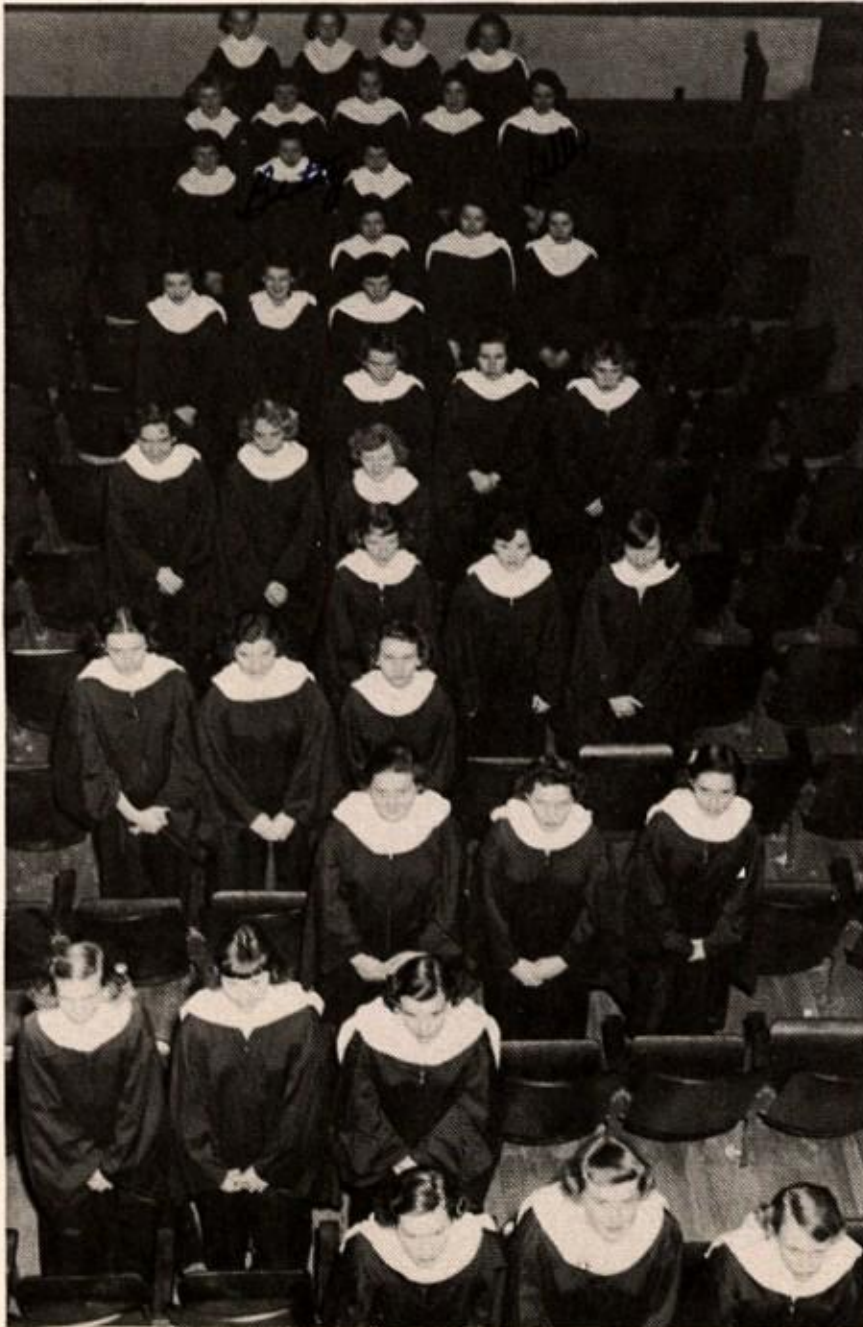
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Colleen's

Starlet Trio



SUE, MARY, MARILYN

Tripleaires



ANITA, MARY, LOUVERL

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Music Department

The Music Department of Rusk High School exists for a three-fold purpose. First, it strives to add its part to the forces that bring happiness into the lives of the students and people of the community. Second, it seeks out ways by which it may represent Rusk High School on the highest plane of student endeavor. Third, it seeks to furnish the students who participate an opportunity to know experiences that stimulate physical, mental and spiritual well-being.

The tremendous growth of the department exemplifies school-community integration of the highest sort. The level at which the music department now stands is a reflection of the desires and efforts of the school authorities, administrators, faculty, students and townspeople.

The moderately sized Rusk High School Eagle Band is an organization with many responsibilities and a wide variety of experiences to offer. A member of this band prepares and performs at nine football games each year; in the field of radio a band member plays in 10 broadcast pep rallies and 5 special broadcasts each spring. The Eagle Band members have marched in all home parades as well as parades in Tyler, Palestine, Mexia, Austin, Houston and Shreveport. They have known the pleasure of winning top ratings in sight reading and concert band contests in Region IV of the Texas Interscholastic League. A typical Eagle Band rehearsal sounds the music of the masters such as Bach, Wagner and Beethoven as well as the latest pop tunes. Band concerts and joint concerts with the choral groups are presented throughout the spring season.

Unique in high school music education is the choral class of eighty students at Rusk High School. Therein are four complete organizations, studying a broad range of choral literature. The A Cappella mixed choir of 45 voices is the nucleus of the class with the other students studying the same music plus allowing a girls' choir called the Colleens, and a boys' chorus called the Gleemen. Each group was awarded a superior rating in the 1950 music competition festival. For one month the class will assume the role of an oratorio chorus to prepare a part of "The Creation" by Haydn to compete among nine Texas High Schools in the Houston Symphony Oratorio Chorus Contest, the winner to perform on a radio broadcast with the Houston Symphony Orchestra.

The Gleemen will perform at the Highlander Music Festival in Dallas in March.

The A Cappella Choir is hopefully working to accept the invitation of the Lions' International President to appear on the program of the Lions' International Convention in Atlantic City, New Jersey.



Drum Major
JAY DOVER

Flagbearer
ROBERTA RIGGS



Our Majorettes Loads of Luck
Love ya, Betty



Gerry Webb

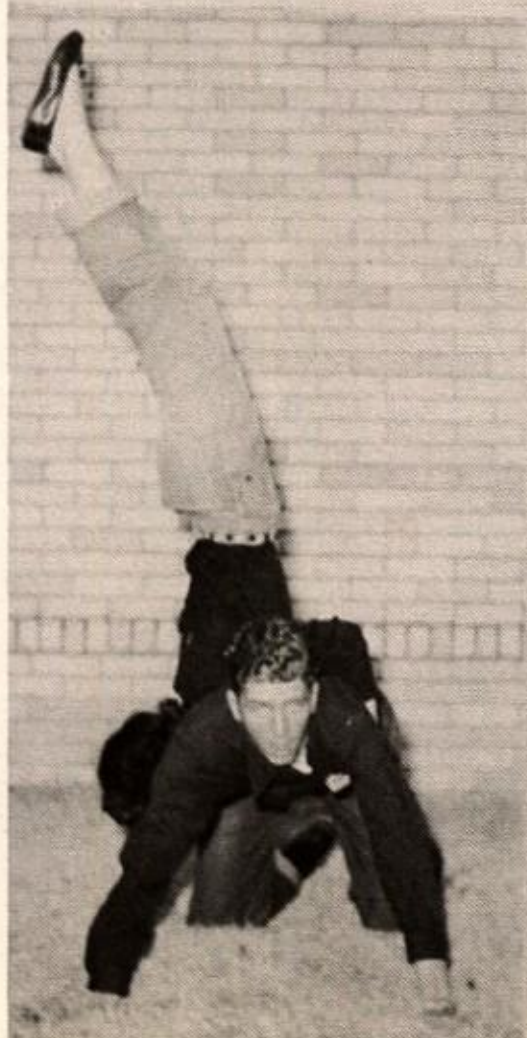
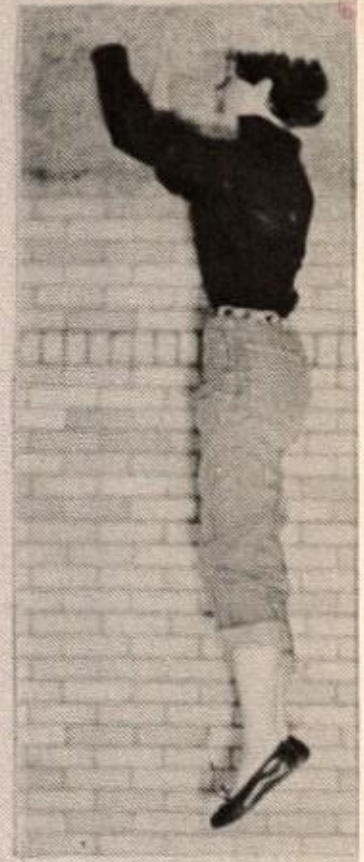


To one of the
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I know.
Love
Betty

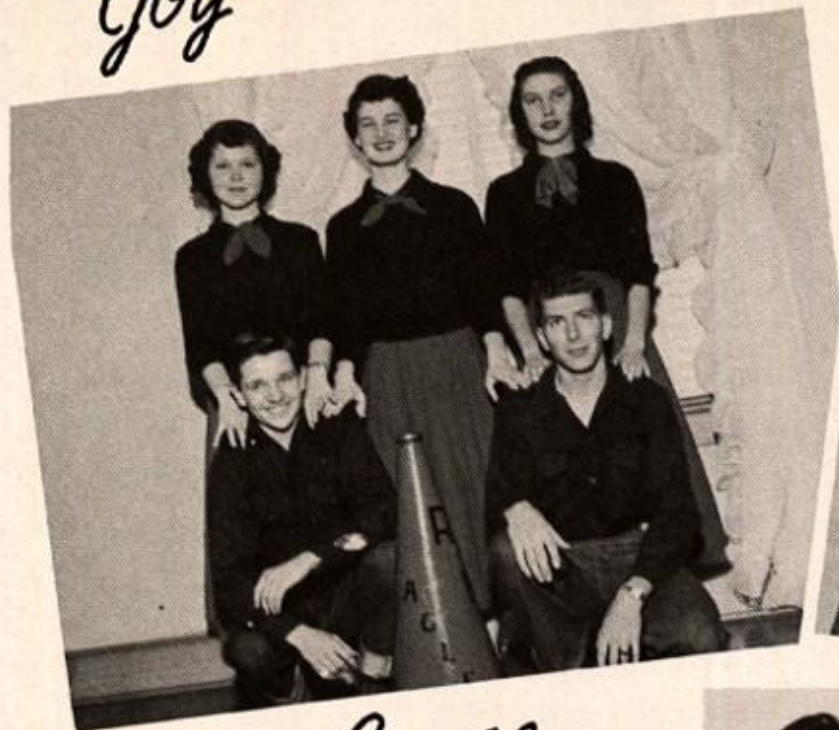
Betty King Love
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Another real cute smile.



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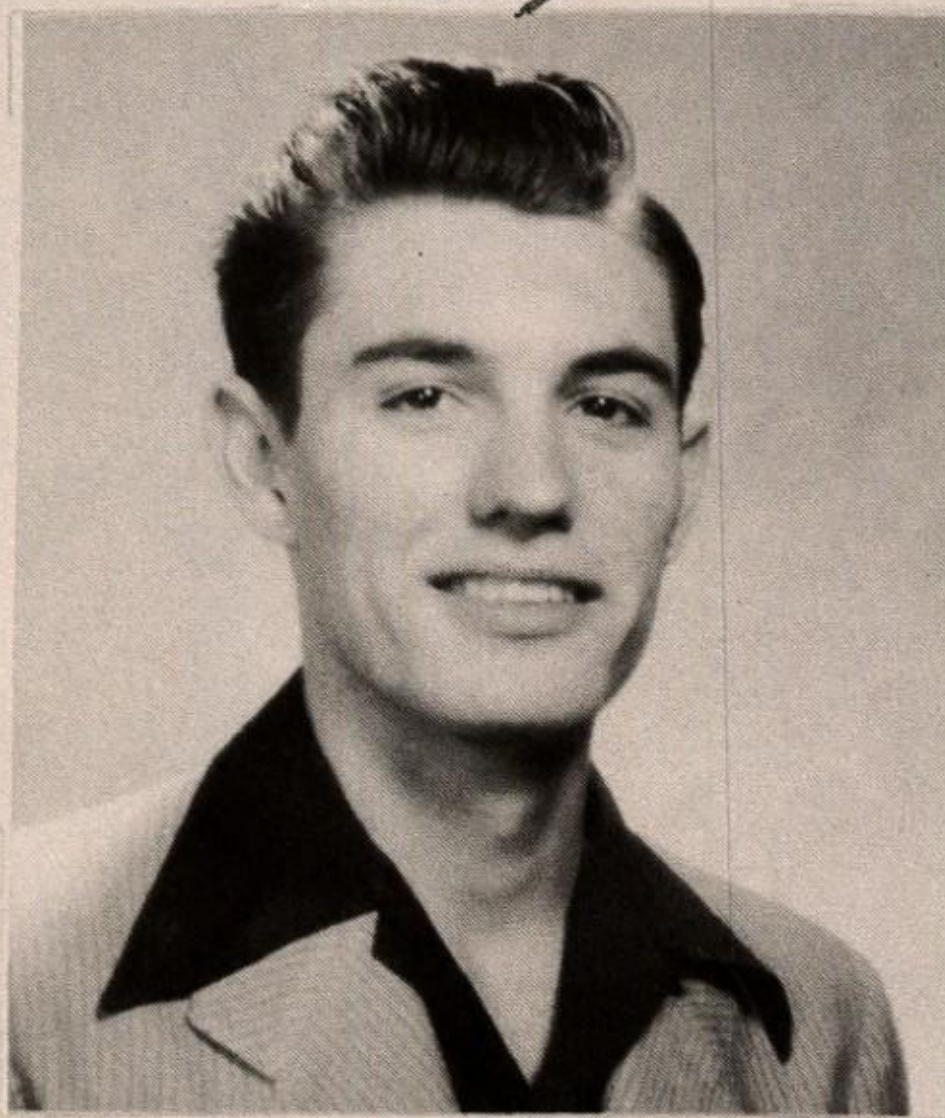
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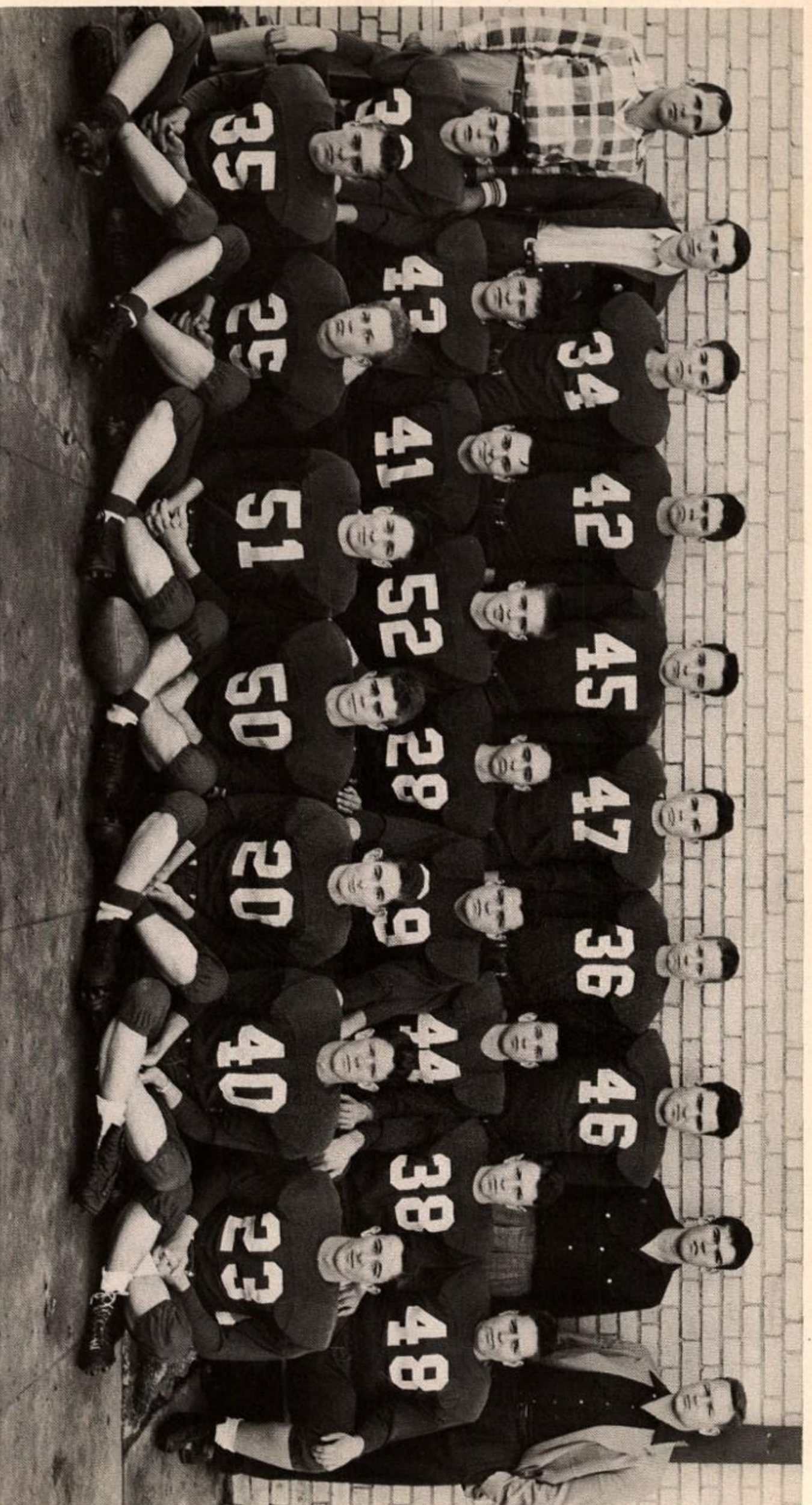
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RUSK HIGH COACHES

Coach Elmer Thompson - - the man who heads the athletic Department in Rusk High School. Coach Thompson is completing his first year as head coach and in so short a time has proven to everyone that he is capable of this position.

His high standards and morals are lived day by day, to the extent that they no doubt are instilled deeply into the boys. It is an asset to any school to have a coach of such fine character.

His record in football and basketball speaks for itself.

The respect, love and support by both students and teachers is evidence of his ability, popularity and, we hope, helps to repay him for his many efforts.

Lots of luck in the years to come, Coach.

Coach Waldie - - a man in every respect. A gentleman of the highest moral standards and character traits. A man that can work with boys and his fellow workers. We all appreciate Coach Waldie and hope to see him around for many years.

Coach Burnham - - A man that works timelessly for the Eagles but his efforts are not recognized. He scouts for every game that the Eagles play. He never gets to see a game but works on for the good of our boys. Hats off to a man that works but receives little credit.



RUSK HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

The Rusk High School Football Team opened the season of 1950 with the brand new look. It came out in new suits, new coaches, a new district, new non-district opponents, a new formation and new and high hopes. The teams ran from the T-formation and they had only three weeks to familiarize with this new formation. We had plenty of hustle, team spirit, and eagerness for competition.

The first game found the Eagles coming out on the short end of a 20 to 7 score against Van. This was the first game played under the new system and the new coaches. There were mistakes and stage fright, but everyone could see the possibilities of a good ball club. The boys bounced right back the following Friday and took favored Livingston to the tune of 27 to 0. The following week end found the Rusk Eagles making tracks south to take on arch-rival Alto. The Eagles came out of this hard fought contest 7 to 0 in the Eagles favor. Back home for the Eagles and sad news for Grapeland, (Rusk 26 - Grapeland 7). Musick Field was also the sight of the next game which ended Rusk 13 - Tenaha 0. The following three weeks Rusk found rough going against larger Carthage, Jacksonville and New London. Rusk fought one of the hardest games of the year, losing to Carthage. The boys picked up some 200 yards and fumbled three times within the 25 yard line. Once they were on Carthage's 1 foot line and fumbled on the first play from scrimmage. The boys hit Jacksonville injured from their go against Carthage. We saw plenty of hard football but the boys took a bad licking from Jacksonville 60 to 0. Jacksonville later won the Bi-District Championship. The Eagles took to the road and lost to tough New London 34 to 7. The following week added more injuries to the already injured ridden Eagles. Some folks were asking why not forfeit the next game to Center. This didn't sit well with the boys. (Outcome Rusk 19 - Center 14). In one of the best games of the season. The last game was truly an exciting contest with the lead changing hands three times. Final score: Rusk 21 - Crockett 21.

We feel that the Eagles have had a successful season, having won more than 500%. This was the first season in several seasons that the Eagles have accomplished this feat. There is a sign over the Eagle's dressing room door which reads: "A little back-bone is worth more than a heap of wish-bone." Our Eagles don't even know the shape of a wish-bone.

EAGLE FACTS

We do not expect to be able to put our praise for the Eagles on the limited pages of this annual. Therefore, we will try to state a few facts about the 1950-51 Eagles. We will begin with the Seniors taking the Captains first.

TERRY MEDFORD - - Co-Captain. All District Quarter-back. Two year letterman. This was Terry's first year in the back field, having played end his first year of football. Terry also won the title of most athletic boy. We all hope that Rusk High will be blessed with as smart a quarter-back as Terry next year.

BILLY LUM ROBINSON - - Co-Captain. All District Guard. Three year letterman. This was Lum's first year in the line, having played his previous football in the back field. We are looking for jackets from all the opponents lettering Lum in their back field. We will miss ole' number 42 wandering around in the opponents back field.

JOHN WYATT ANDREWS - - Two year letterman. At tackle John Wyatt was called on to play some guard, end and various other positions. He played every minute of every game in the season of 1950. Hats off to a fighting man.

BILLY EARL FITTS - - Two year letterman. Tackle. We may have to use two junior high boys to fill up the space that Big Billy left this year.

CURTIS MANESS - - Two year letterman. End. For 135 pounds we don't believe dynamite could be as explosive. We will miss his safety play in pulling would-be touchdown runs to the ground.

ELDRED PRYOR - - Three year letterman. Guard. Pryor was injured in the third game of the season, but as far as we are concerned Eldred could letter in two minutes the way he plays. Many of the opponents will smile when they look up at the guard position and see that Eldred is not there.

JIMMY PERSONS - - Two year letterman. Center. Punter. Place-kicker and occasional passer. One of the best punters in this area. We expect Jimmy to go places on his punting.

NEIL WOODARD - - Two year letterman. Center and line-backer deluxe. Neil broke his arm before the first district game. Ask anyone on the right side of the line, and you will find out that they missed the burr-headed boy backing up the line.

GLENN "CURLY" WALLACE - - Two year letterman. Half-back. We depended on Curly to play the other half, full-back, and quarter-back in the event that anyone was needed. Curly knew all the plays from every position in the back field, and played some defensive line, other than his regular duty at defensive half-back.

JOE MAX TAYLOR - - One year letterman. Full-back. Joe made a good account of himself for his first year in football. He was slowed down in some games by injuries but otherwise was a valuable asset.

CHARLES HEALD - - One year letterman. Tackle and guard. The most improved first year football player that we have ever seen. Charles started off slow but at the end of the season we depended on Charles as much as any man on the team. He played three games with a broken finger, and finished the game in which he was playing when it was broken.

We are losing one boy due to his age.

JOE SESSIONS - - Two year letterman. Guard. Joe had never seen a football at the beginning of last year. Joe covered enough fumbles this year that he has learned what a football is. If there was anyone ever rough and ready it was Joe.

We only have one Junior that will be back with us next year from this year's team.

JOHN T. THOMPSON - - Three year letterman. All district half-back. We are all glad that John T. will be back next year. If he and that charlie-hoss can ever separate we feel sorry for the opponents next year.

SOPHOMORES:

HARLAN CRAWFORD - - One year letterman. Back. This was Harlan's first year out for football. He did a very fine job and we expect some quarter-back duty from next year.

KENNETH SIMMONS - - One year letterman. End. Kenneth was a squadman last year, when he weighed scarcely more than his football equipment. He was injured just as he began to find himself this year, but he will be back for the next two years, ready and raring.

CLARANCE WALLACE - - One year letterman. Back. Clarence played full-back and half and we expect regular duty from him next year. Once he begins to roll, watch out.

ROYCE MCINTYRE - - One year letterman. Tackle. Steam-roller McIntyre played some good ball. Next year he will be experienced, and we feel for those opponents who will be playing in front of him.

JACK SURRATT - - One year letterman. Tackle. Big Jack filled in at Center when he was needed and did a fine job. He will be in there next year, ready to go.

TRUMAN HUGGHINS - - Squadman. End. Truman had trouble with an injured leg this year, but he claims that he has ridden the charlie-hoss to death, and he will be on his own two feet next year. We expect lots from Truman.

JOE BAILEY - - Two year Squadman. Tackle. Joe has been a dependable man, having missed very few practice sessions.

FRESHMEN.

HOWARD WATSON - - One year letterman. End. A regular his freshman year. Three years ahead. O Boy!

ERNEST HUDNALL - - One year letterman. End. Great possibilities. O Boy again!

OTHERS:

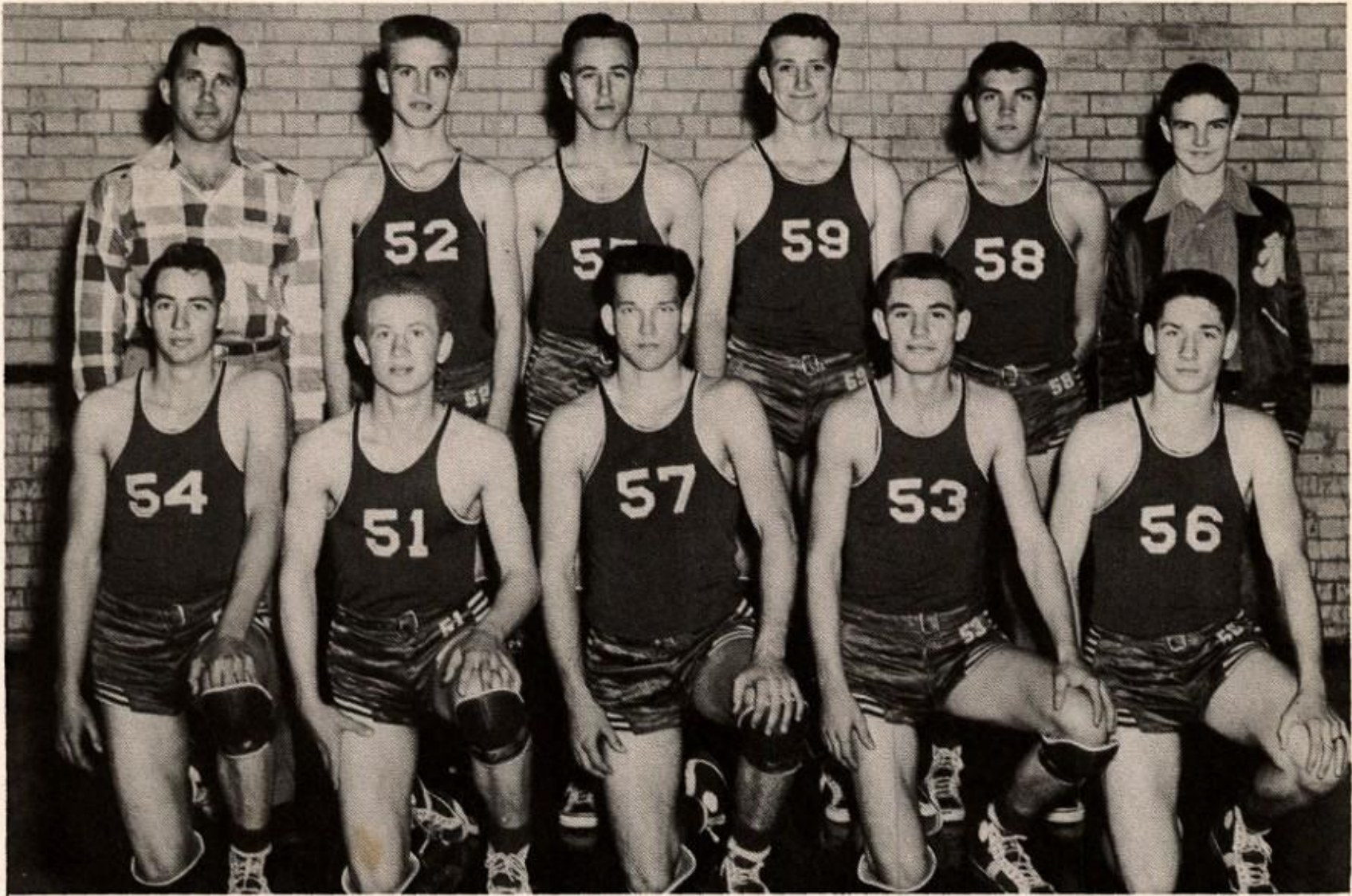
JAMES SWINK - - Sophomore. Was ineligible this year. James never missed a practice. Stayed in training all year. He wants to play. Watch out opponents.

LUTHER CHRISTOPHER - - Two year letterman. Senior end. Luther did not get to play this year because of a Baseball injury before the beginning of football.

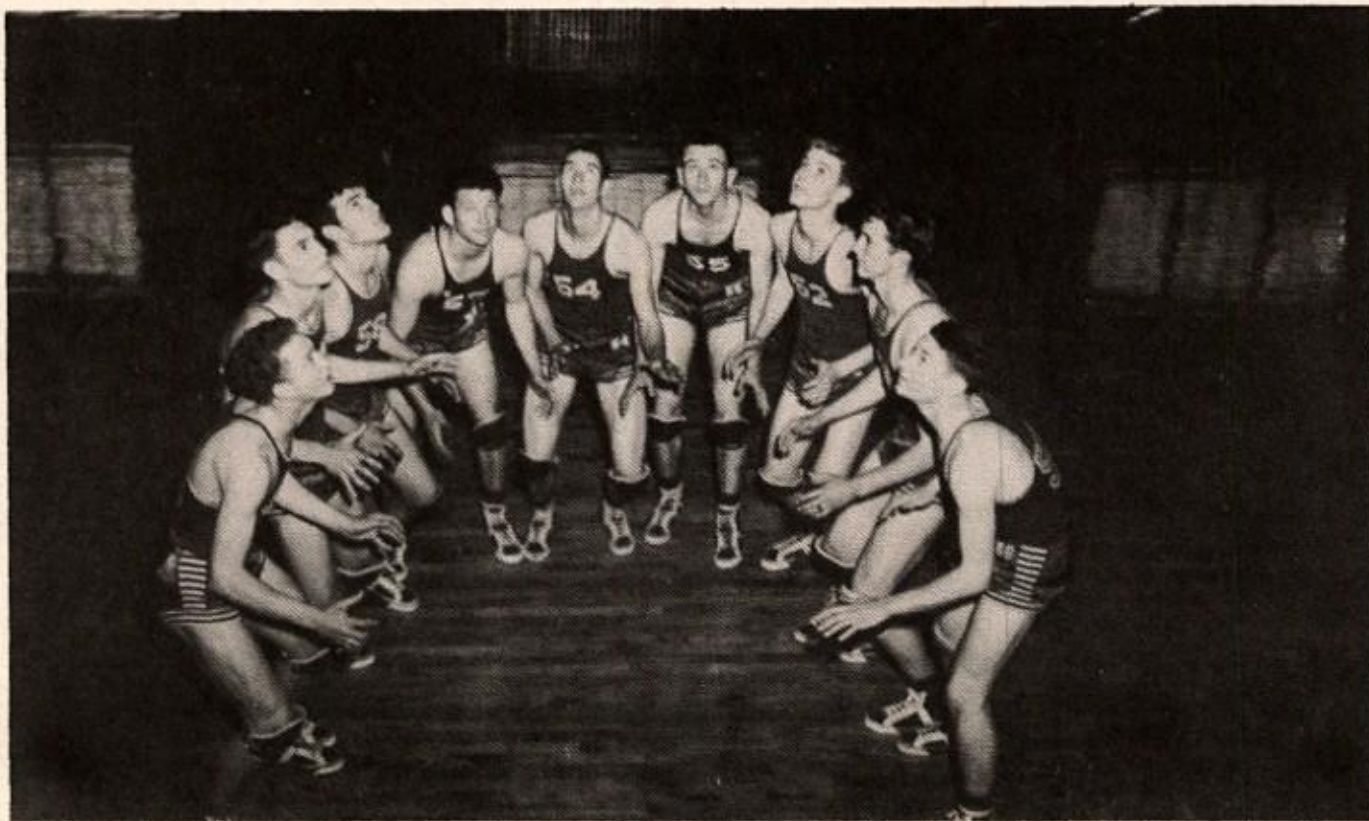
CHARLES NAGEE - - One year letterman. Senior Manager. Charles did not get to play because of a leg injury received last year.

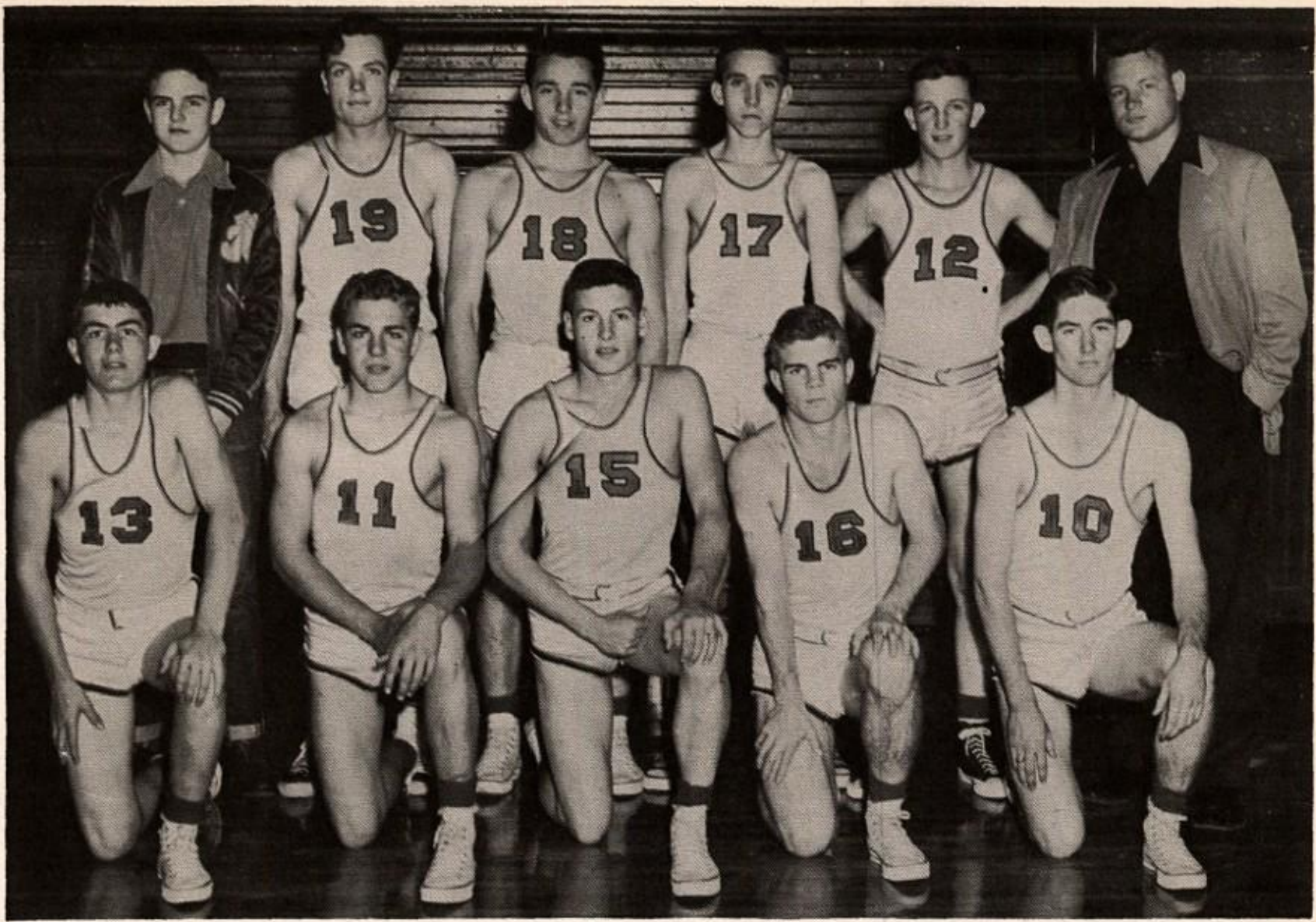
BASKETBALL

A TEAM



Top row: Coach Thompson, Neil Woodard, Bobby Thrash, Luther Christopher, Charles Magee, Donald Woodard (Manager). Bottom row: Harold Hudnall, Glenn (Curly) Wallace, Joe Max Taylor, Terry Medford, Jimmy Persons.





B TEAM

Top row: Donald Woodard (Manager), Edwin Thedford, James Swink, Charles McCreary, L. E. Watson, Coach Waldie. Bottom row: Kenneth Simmons, Harlan Crawford, Jack Waldie, John T. Thompson, Clarence Wallace.



RUSK-B

517 POINTS



OPPONENTS

411 POINTS

BASKETBALL EAGLES

A TEAM

The Eagles started the season with two starters from last year's club, in the persons of Neil Woodard and Harold Hudnall. Starters coming up from the B Team are: Joe Max Taylor, who is fourth high score in District 17-A; Bobby Thrash, who we depend on for rebounds; and Jimmy Persons, a second year man, who did some out-standing floor work for the Eagles. The other squadmen are: Luther Christopher, Charles Magee, Terry Medford and Curly Wallace. At the time of this writing, the Eagles had won 45% of their games, but most of the wins came at the expense of non-district opponents. In the Eagles' first tournament at Madisonville, they brought home the consolation tournament trophy, by defeating Livingston in the finals. The Eagles played good ball all season, except the boys just could not hit the basket enough. In a game with Jacksonville, Rusk was defeated by 10 points although they had three shots at the goal for every one that Jacksonville took.

B TEAM

The Rusk B Team has only lost 3 games in District play. The three teams that beat the Eagles were defeated by the Rusk B Team in other engagements. The B Team is composed of all first year men, mostly sophomores. James Swink leads the point makers with a 20 point average, who is ably assisted by: Thedford, Watson, Simmons, Thompson, Waldie, McCreary, Crawford, Wallace. All of these boys will be back next year and will form our A team because Harold Hudnall is the only returning player off the A team.

FRESHMAN TEAM

Our Freshman Team that will form the B team for next year are: Howard Watson, Ernest Hudnall, Donald Woodard, Bubba Jared, Carroll Jones, Charles Bobbitt, Johnny Irwin, Charles Ramey, Joe Parsons, E. J. Kemp and Neely Cottrell.

GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM



Top row: Coach Thompson, Delores Burns, Bobbie Hassell, Barbara Colville, Kathryn Bell, Linda McIntyre, Roberta Riggs, Coach Burnham. Bottom row: Jewel Beck, Mary Guinn, Ann Jordan, Peggy Holcomb, Ophelia Pryor, Joyce Moore.



SENIORS

GIRLS' BASKETBALL

This is the first girls' basketball team to represent Rusk High in League Basketball since the year 1941. The girls participated in District 17-A of the newly organized Interscholastic League. The girls have lost five and won three games this season. They are now tied for District leadership with Jacksonville. Although most of the girls are Seniors they did not have any experience at the beginning of the season. They have come along fine and developed rapidly and now hold their own with any of the clubs we have met. These seven girls graduate this year, having done a fine job in sportsmanship for Rusk High School: Linda McIntyre, Ophelia Pryor, Ann Jordan, Peggy Holcomb, Roberta Riggs, Mary Guinn and Bobbie Hassell. Without a doubt some of the teams that have beaten us have been playing in League Competition for many years. We have managed to beat some of those same teams through hustle, and the will to win. We take our hats off to a group of girls that were determined to play basketball and have come up with the tie for the leadership of this District. If the teams following this one, with the experience that they will have will fight as hard as these girls we cannot see how they could lose.

SCORES

Rusk - - - - -	38	Wells - - - - -	35
Rusk - - - - -	28	Cushing - - - - -	29
Rusk - - - - -	42	Cushing - - - - -	46
Rusk - - - - -	20	Leverett's Chapel - - - - -	40
Rusk - - - - -	37	Leverett's Chapel - - - - -	38
Rusk - - - - -	29	New London - - - - -	16
Rusk - - - - -	29	Jacksonville - - - - -	28
Rusk - - - - -	17	Jacksonville - - - - -	20

"Martha Coleman is not shown in the pictures. Martha had an accident about the middle of the season and has been side lined since. She was the leading scorer until she was injured and is missed by all. She will, however, be back next year and you will see plenty of Martha in the future."



1. Starting Line-up 2. 'Baby Face' 3. "Hotie Dogie" 4. Three of a kind 5. I'll be 6. Papa Burnham
 7. Sleeping Beauty 8. What a gang 9. Old Days 10. Hop-a-long Guinn 11. Good Friends 12. The
 Three Stooges 13. Half a dozen legs 14. Bashful Johnny 15. "Attention!" 16. Just hatched 17. Uni-
 formed freshmen 18. Let's eat 19. Baby Sitting 20. Ain't Love Grand.



John

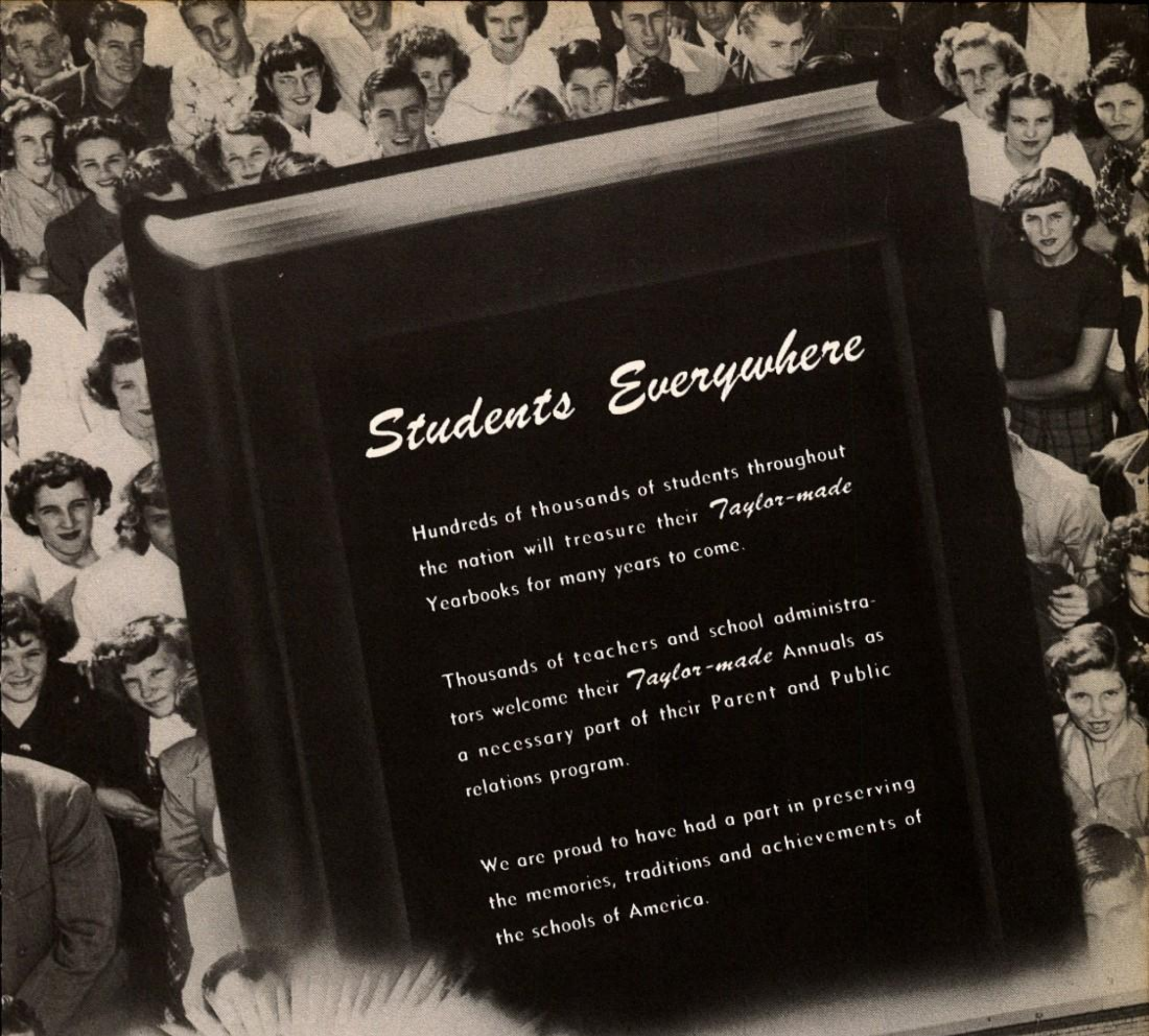


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Charlatte,

We have been the best of friends for many many years and I want to tell you that I've enjoyed every minute of our friendship. I shall always remember you as one of my best and dearest friends. Charlatte, honey, we've had some mighty fine 'ole times together and I hope we shall continue. You really don't know how much I miss going to school and being with you even though you have been gone from Rusk! so long. Gosh, I wish you were going to school in dear 'ole Rusk. High our last two years. anyway, (even tho all the people we care anything about will be gone)! Here's wishing you the best of (love)!!! luck, success, and happiness.

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I know what I mean! Love ya Always,
Betty

April 26, 1951

To Charlotte,

Charlotte you are one of the sweetest, most lovable, and truest friends I could ever hope to have. Your sweet smile and wonderful personality is something that I will always cherish. We have had many, many, wonderful experiences together lets hope they continue, though there is no doubt in my mind that they will. Can you ever forget the fun we had last summer. In Palestine and everywhere else we went? Charlotte we've been friends, and I mean true friends, for a long time. Maybe we will get to go to U.I. together lets hope anyway. Here's wishing love, luck, happiness, and success to you ~~in~~ anything that you undertake.

Love Always,
Lella

